

Spain-Italy Crusade By State Leaders Nets 212 Conversions

By W. C. Fields, Editor

Aboard a Swissair DC-7 over the mid-Atlantic—this report and the others which follow it are being written on a plane heavily laden with Baptists, homeward bound from Lisbon.

Along the route of Columbus we are racing the morning sun to America. We are losing the race, of course, but the vision of home grows brighter with the passing of each nautical mile.

These first-hand accounts of the Mississippi Baptist Preaching Mission to Spain and Italy give the reasons for the high spirits here in this craft far above the ocean.

First Simultaneous Campaign

During the week of June 21-28 this group of laymen and preachers worked with the Italian and Spanish Baptists in their first simultaneous evangelistic crusade.

The results far exceeded our hopes, particularly in view of the restrictions, harassment, and persecution which hamper Baptist work in both countries.

The Baptist churches in Spain and Italy are not accustomed to public invitations to accept Christ. Conversion usually comes through private counseling. The response to the leadership of our group, however, was warm-hearted and eager.

38 Conversions In Spain

In Spain there were 38 professions of faith and 27 public rededications for a total of 65 decisions. Charles Whitten and Joe Mefford, Mississippi men serving permanently in Spain, along with their co-workers expressed great joy over these victories in the midst of heavy oppression.

174 Conversions In Italy

In Italy there were 174 professions of faith and 366 rededications. There were also 98 other public decisions in places where it was difficult for these English-speaking Baptists to get the full significance of the actions taken. Total decisions in Italy amounted to 638.

Dr. Roy Starmer and his associates in Italy did a splendid job of preparing for the crusade. The missionaries and the national pastors expressed "deep and abiding gratitude" for the victories of the week.

703 Total Decisions

The grand totals for both countries were: 212 professions of faith, 393 rededications, and 98 public commitments of undetermined nature, making the total decisions for both Spain and Italy to be 703 for the crusade.

The following accounts speak effectively of the joy all of us feel for the privilege of proclaiming Christ in these lands.

At The Heel Of Italy

By Charles Phillips, Wesson

Life under the blue skies of extreme Southeastern Italy for most of the people means hard work and a bare existence dug out of the poor, over-worked soil. As I observed the masses crowded together in the cities, going out each day to toil in the fields of harvest, I thanked God often for the "Amber waves of grain" and "the fruited plains" of my own country.

More disturbing than the economic poverty prevalent everywhere was the greater spiritual poverty of the masses who are blinded and dominated by the black hand of Roman Catholicism. To find in the midst of this spiritual desert the oasis of vital, genuine, evangelical faith of the Italian Baptists was a most inspiring experience. The reality of their simple faith and the vitality of their worship stand in sharp contrast to the ceremony, pomp, and emptiness of the Catholic religion of their neighbors.

The very hospitable people of the Bari area, with their invitation to visit in their homes, gave me an opportunity to see the typical life of Italians there. Evident in the homes and the churches was the fact that the Baptists of Italy are a closely knit fellowship who are concerned for the welfare of each other and for the winning of others to Christ.

Varied Backgrounds

The pastors of the area come from all sorts of backgrounds—Baptists, other evangelical groups, Catholicism, and atheism. Generally they are men of deep spirituality and strong convictions, but somewhat lacking in theological training and the principles of church administration.

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Rev. Sam Brown and I spoke in 9 different churches. It was my privilege to see a total of 18 responses publicly to the invitation to accept the new birth of the Spirit through faith in Christ. Twenty-seven others dedicated themselves to more zealous witness to their friends and neighbors. These decisions were rich rewards for the efforts of the week.

Poverty Stricken

On Monday night I preached in Matera, the poorest city of Italy. 40,000 of its 60,000 inhabitants live in the area called the "Sasso," which is a stone mountain. Since 200 B. C., people have been carving cave homes out of the rock until now 40,000 live in such homes.

Living conditions are marked by poverty, filth, and dampness which yearly takes its toll of hundreds of babies and children. People, horses, pigs, and chickens all live in the same place.

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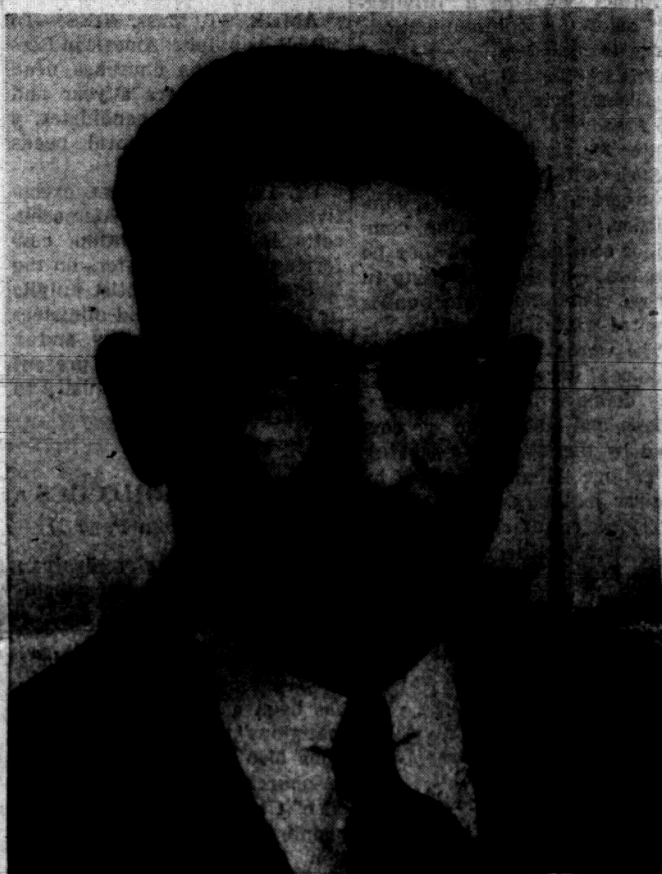
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DR. W. A. KEEL

Keel Retires As Head of Seminary

Dr. W. A. Keel, president of the Mississippi Baptist Seminary for the past two years, has retired as of July 1, according to announcement by Rev. N. F. Greer, Morton, chairman of the trustees of the Seminary.

A committee has been appointed by the trustees to draw up resolutions of appreciation for his two years of service.

The Seminary has experienced substantial growth with plans underway to construct a new headquarters building on Lynch Street in Jackson.

Dr. W. P. Davis, secretary of the Department of Work with Negroes of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, was named to serve as president, beginning July 1, until a permanent president is elected.

Dr. Davis is carrying both responsibilities for the present without an increase in salary. School of Religion

The Mississippi Baptist Seminary, a state chartered school of religion, is under the direct supervision of the Negro work Department of the State Convention Board.

It is supported by the Convention Board, the Home Mission Board and eight Negro Baptist conventions located over the state.

Dr. Keel, prior to becoming president of the Seminary, was secretary of the Department of Work with Negroes of the Convention Board.

He came to the Baptist Building from the pastorate of the Taylorsville Church.

Dr. Keel is a native of Oxford. He was graduated from Mississippi College and holds the Th.D. degree from Southern Seminary.

Besides holding pastorates in Gainesville, Bellevue, and Pineview, Ga., and Cleveland, Tenn., (Continued on Page 2)

Plan Proposed For U. S. Mission To Vatican

WASHINGTON — (BP) — An "unostentatious beginning" of diplomatic relations with the Vatican has been proposed to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, of which J. W. Fulbright (D., Ark.) is chairman. The proposal is that a permanent Charge d' Affaires be appointed by the State Department, thus requiring no Congressional approval or special allocation of funds. It is recommended that the procedure "function quietly and without attracting too much attention" in order that the "non-Catholic opposition in the United States would lose some of its momentum as it grew accustomed to the fact that we had someone at the Vatican."

The recommendation concludes, "Those who are objecting today might even become convinced with time that U. S. official contacts with the Holy See had nothing whatever to do with religious matters, but were concerned solely with our national security, as, of course, would be the case."

The Committee on Foreign Relations of the United States Senate. Those expressing their views were deliberately kept anonymous, and at points the study was highly critical of current United States foreign policy.

In the arguments for a U. S. mission at the Vatican it was asserted that since the United States is the chief champion of peace and stability in the post-war world, and since the Roman Catholic Church "is the implacable foe of atheistic Communism," therefore "the United States has no better ally in its struggle against the Communist ideology and in the preservation of Christianity."

Gathers Information

The retired Foreign Service officer stated that since the religious lives of over 300 million persons, it has developed a system of communications channels and gathers information that could be valuable to the United States Government, but (Continued on Page 2)

Propose Churches Tax Free

WASHINGTON — (BP) — Small churches and their agencies have been offered to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 so as to exempt the churches and their agencies from the 10 per cent tax on transportation tickets, phone calls, telegrams, etc. Last year non-profit educational institutions were exempt from this tax.

In the recent tax bill passed by Congress, the Senate struck out the transportation and communications tax, but it was included in the House version of the bill. The Senate-House Conference committee compromised by agreeing that on June 30, 1960, these particular taxes shall be reduced by 50 per cent. In the meantime Congress can make exceptions to the current rule, and preferential legislation.

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The study of United States Foreign Policy, Summary of Views of Retired Foreign Service Officers, prepared for the State Department.

111 Decisions In Nigerian Revival

Thirty-five persons accepted Christ as Saviour and 76 rededicated their lives to God during a revival in First Baptist Church, Kaduna, capital of Northern Nigeria. This is the largest number of decisions in any revival in the church's history, reports Pastor E. O. Akingbala.

The 35 who made professions of faith are now studying Baptist doctrines and the Christian life. Meeting twice a week, they are led by the pastor.

BILLY GRAHAM

Russia Can't Crush Belief

NEW YORK (RNS)—Evangelist Billy Graham, arriving here from crusades in Australia and New Zealand and a five day visit to Russia, said the Communists had been unable to "stamp out belief in God" in the Soviet Union.

He also declared that he was in Russia long enough "to pray and hope Communism would never control the United States."

"In spite of the fact that the Communist Party is avowedly militantly atheistic," he said, "they have not been able to stamp out belief in God. We went to a number of services in churches and I estimate that at least one-fifth of the audiences were teen-agers."

While in Russia, Mr. Graham attended services in Moscow's Baptist church and at the Russian Orthodox monastery in Zagorsk, 40 miles outside the capital. His trip to the Soviet Union followed a short rest in London after he had conducted a three-and-a-half month crusade in Australia and New Zealand.

Some 200 persons, many of them singing hymns, were on hand to welcome the evangelist and his wife, Ruth, on their arrival here.

In his brief address, Mr. Graham said he believed that only three per cent of the Russian people belong to the Communist Party.

SBC Gifts Approach 1/2 Goal

NASHVILLE—(BP)— At the halfway mark of the year, the Southern Baptist Convention treasury is almost halfway toward its Cooperative Program goal of \$17½ million for calendar 1959.

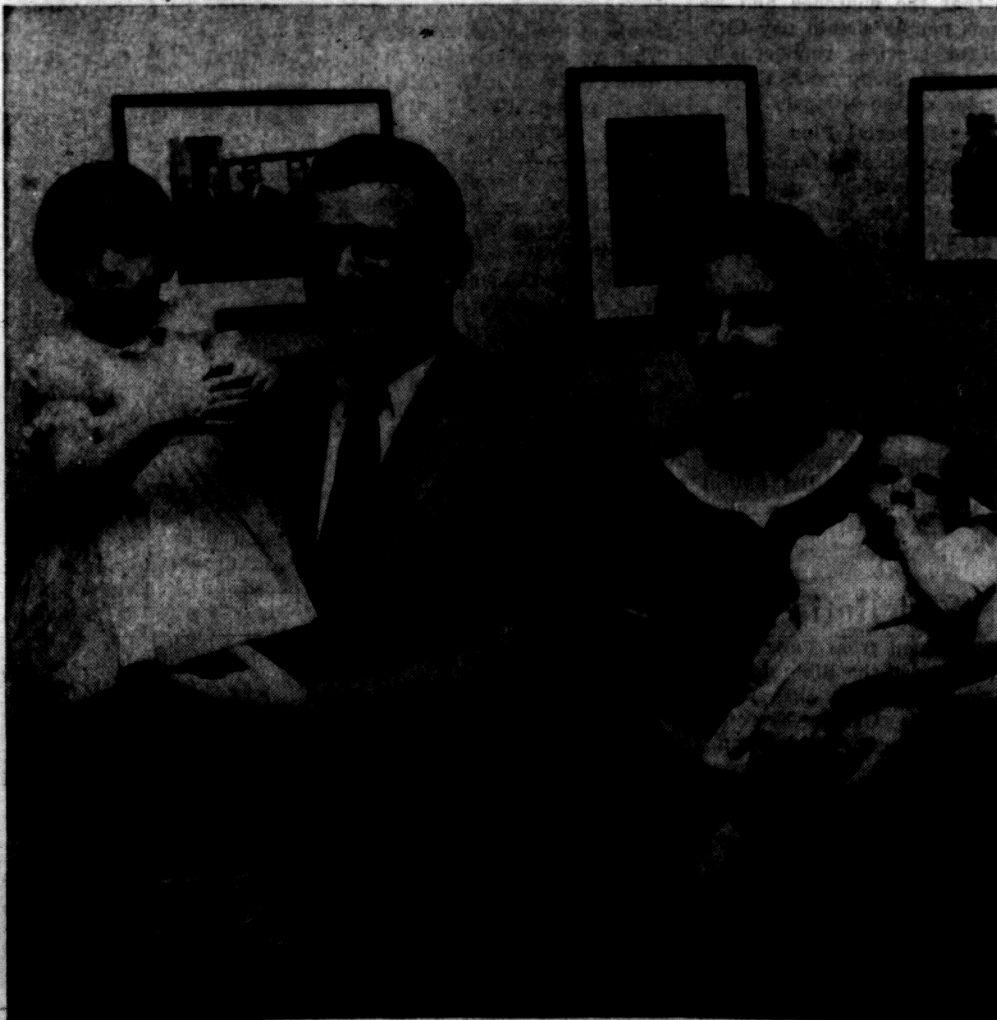
Total received so far through the Cooperative Program amounts to \$8,318,741 according to Treasurer Porter Routh of Nashville. This is 47½ per cent of the year's goal.

With designations added to Cooperative Program receipts, total funds received at the treasurer's office here for the first six months of 1959 come to \$17,793,384.

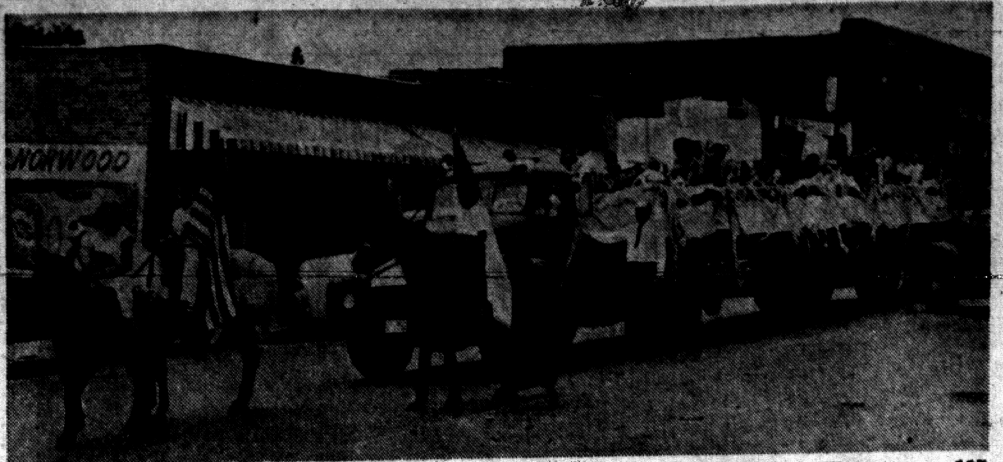
Total receipts thus are running \$1,798,453—or 11.24 per cent—ahead of last year at the mid-year mark.

Up \$642,443
Cooperative Program income is up \$642,443 over the six-month period, an increase of 8.37 per cent. Designations are \$1,198,010 ahead, for a 13.5 per cent gain.

Percentage gains for 1959 over 1958 are continuing to stay higher than gains for 1958 over 1957. (Continued on Page 3)



MISSISSIPPI FAMILY AT SOUTHEASTERN—Shown here are Mr. and Mrs. James O. Bathorn and their two children, Becky Lynn and Jimmie Sue. Mr. Bathorn has served for two years as Seminary Photographer. For additional pictures and stories on Southeastern Seminary please turn to page 3.



VBS—Pictured above is the Vacation Bible School parade of Maben Church. There were 117 enrolled, with an average attendance of 105. Mrs. Travis Lunceford served as principal; Rev. Robert L. Jordan is pastor.

Men Accompany Wives, Organize For Service

By Robert I. Harris
Southern Baptist Missionary to Peru

In Arequipa, Peru, Thursday evening is family night for the members of First Baptist Church. Night falls early upon this mountain city. Starlight reflects upon the snow-capped peaks of El Misti, Chachani, and Pichu-Pichu as the women leave home for their 7:00 p. m. meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society. Many have to pass through dimly lighted sections where robbers nightly take their toll from unprotected victims. Therefore, the men have to accompany their wives and daughters.

As the men waited in another room of the rented dwelling which serves as a temple, there was born the idea of a Brotherhood organization. The idea sprang from the men themselves, and the organization was formed on the evening of May 7 while the missionary pastor was in Lima for a meeting of the Peruvian Baptist Mission. Copastor Jacob Padilla, who recently completed his studies at the International Baptist Theological Seminary in Buenos Aires, Argentina, was immediately asked to teach a course concerning the history and beliefs of Baptists.

Door-to-Door Crusade
As their principal activity the men chose to undertake a door-to-door evangelistic crusade in Arequipa, where 200,000 people do not know the living Christ as Saviors and friends. This action came after an Italian Baptist missionary, who has served in southern Peru for 27 years, spoke to the church on the method he has found most fruitful in winning the people of Peru to Christ.

As the missionary urged the church members to go to the homes of the unsaved, place portions of the Scriptures in their hands, and explain them personally, his challenge found a ready response in the hearts of the Brotherhood members. They ordered Bible portions and tracts and designated June as preparation month for this work. A fellowship supper has been planned for late June so that friends may hear the men give personal testimonies and

Plan Proposed

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which might not otherwise be available.

The furtherance of the good neighbor policy with Latin America was also cited as an argument for establishing diplomatic relations with the Vatican. It was pointed out that when the President formerly had a personal representative stationed at the Vatican, this arrangement was highly pleasing to the representatives of the Latin American countries. "A permanent U. S. mission to the Holy See," it was claimed, "would tend to renew and increase to our advantage this favorable impression."

Assuming that permanent diplomatic contact with the Vatican should be no longer delayed, the anonymous retired Foreign Service officer proposed his plan for this to be accomplished. He recognized that a full-fledged permanent American ambassador is out of the question at the moment, both because of opposition within the United States and because of opposition in the Vatican itself with representation of an avowed or temporary nature.

answer questions about salvation. This supper will initiate the house-to-house visitation program.

Found Another Job

Soon after the Brotherhood was organized the men found another job of a different nature. Four Sunday school rooms needed to be added to the church house. The men devoted a holiday in May to erecting these rooms, thus making the materials provided by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board go farther. Members of the W. M. S. provided meals for the hungry men at noon and in the evening.

At the close of this day of labor for the Lord, the men of

Shreveport Minister Stricken In Pulpit

SHREVEPORT, La. (BP)—T. C. Pennell, pastor of Ingleside Baptist Church here and former president of Louisiana Baptist Convention, suffered a fatal heart attack while preaching in his church May 31.

He died at noon after being stricken while in the pulpit. Funeral services were conducted June 2 at Ingleside Church. Co-officiating in the funeral service were Robert L. Lee, executive secretary of the convention; James F. Cole, editor of the Baptist Message, and R. O. Cawker, convention secretary of evangelism, all of Alexandria.

Pennell was a member of the Louisiana convention in November, 1957, and served through the following November.

Tire Company Chief Honored By Stetson

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla.—(BP)—The college of law of Stetson University here presented only one honorary doctor's degree at its May commencement. That degree—doctor of laws—went to Harvey S. Firestone Jr., Chairman of Firestone Tire and Rubber Co.

A young attorney-to-be listened intently as Firestone brought an address and then received the honorary doctorate. He was Harvey S. Firestone, III, son of the speaker and a member of the graduating class.



MC MISSIONARIES—Summer missionaries from Mississippi College will work in areas ranging from Florida to California, including Oregon, Washington, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Louisiana. They are Mrs. James Wood, Stewart; Billie Ross, Roxie graduate; Alicia Jones, Belmont; Kathleen Kyzar, Bogie Chitto; Marilyn Lavender, Charleston; Julia Barrentine, Lake Carmo; and (second row) Tommy Ross, Jackson; James Wood, Stewart; and Phillip Casberry, Mobile, Ala. Not pictured are Willie Ruth Biallock, Kosciusko; Dorsey Deaton, Memphis, and Anita Matthews, McComb.

Alabama Won't Permit Immunity For Clergymen

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — (BP)—A bill to provide court immunity for ministers having received confidences in spiritual counseling has failed to make the grade in the Alabama legislature here.

One of the sponsors, State Rep. Buford L. Copeland of Gadsden, Ala., said the bill was defeated by a vote of 48 to 46 "on a motion to indefinitely postpone when the race question was injected into it."

He indicated he would support the measure in 1961 when the Alabama legislature meets again.

The bill protected ministers on the witness stand from revealing confidences unless the persons who gave them the information in confidence called the ministers to testify.

It allowed the presiding judge at the trial to determine whether the information actually was privileged, or subject to secrecy provided for in the bill.

COLUMBIA, S. C. — (BP)—South Carolina has joined the states having a law protecting the confidences of the pastor's study and the confessional.

An act providing a "privileged" status for communications made to ministers, priests and rabbis was passed by the state legislature here after being held up for several weeks in a committee for clarification.

Such confidences will now be protected so that no court, commission, or investigating committee can require that they be disclosed — unless the party in whose favor the protection is granted waives his rights.

The words "regular or duly ordained" were put into the act to define those ministers, priests, and rabbis who are covered by the law, thus seeking to exclude self-appointed or irregular ministers.

The act comes close to being a model piece of legislation, particularly with its inclusion of quasi-legal hearings or proceedings. It also omits any provision for a penalty, thus emphasizing that it is simply a protective law, not punitive legislation.

N. C. Legislature Kills Clergy Court Immunity Bill

RALPH, N. C. — (BP)—A bill which would have exempted clergy from testifying in court concerning information revealed to them in confidence was killed by the House judiciary committee of the North Carolina legislature.

The measure had been approved by the Senate only after it was amended to exclude confidential information bearing on a felony which a presiding judge might consider pertinent and in the public interest.

Fear that the amendment might be construed to apply in civil cases led to the committee vote to drop the measure.

BERCHTESGADEN, Germany (BWA) — Baptist servicemen from America stationed in Europe, North Africa and the Near East heard Dr. Edward Hughes Pruden, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Washington, D. C., as special lecturer at their annual retreat at Berchtesgaden.

SHOWN ABOVE is architect's drawing of proposed new building of Nesbit Church, ground breaking for which was held on Sunday, June 28. Those participating are seen in picture at right, from left to right: Rev. Ervin Brown, pastor; E. L. Manning, Building Committee chairman; W. R. Dozier, layman of Graceland Baptist Church, of Whitehaven, Tenn., speaker of the afternoon; and Lex Wooten, Chairman of Deacons. The proposed structure will be the first unit of four new buildings to be constructed later. The Nesbit Church was constituted last October in a tent revival. The church now meets in the building shown also in picture at right.

American Baptists To Seek 250 New Ministers Annually

AMHERST, Mass. (RNS)—To fill all its pulpits, American Baptist Convention churches need 250 new ministers a year and 1,000 ministerial candidates, a conference on pastoral needs was told here.

Dr. Paul Lee Sturges, executive secretary of the Massachusetts Baptist Convention, conferring with 50 ministers on the filling of empty Baptist pulpits in the state area, said ministers "have a responsibility and a glorious opportunity" to present the challenge of the ministry to young people.

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tion favoring the churches can be passed if it is found expedient to do so.

Rising Demand
Since educational institutions were exempt last year, there has been a rising demand that "religious" persons and institutions also be exempt. The Inter-church Transportation Council of Chicago is urging church people to support House Resolution 7623, introduced by Rep. Burr P. Harrison (D., Va.), and H. R. 7358, introduced by Rep. Sidney R. Yates (D., Ill.).

Two measures would give the churches and their agencies special exemptions from the transportation and communications tax.

On the other hand there is another group of churchmen, gradually becoming more vocal, who are urging the churches to restudy the whole problem of tax exemptions for churches and their agencies. They are saying that the churches and religious people should pay their way for services rendered by the public along with the remainder of the citizenry.

Editorial Plea
A recent editorial in a national religious weekly made the plea that the gulf between clergy and laity is already too wide and that it should not be made wider by making special tax exemptions for religious persons and institutions.

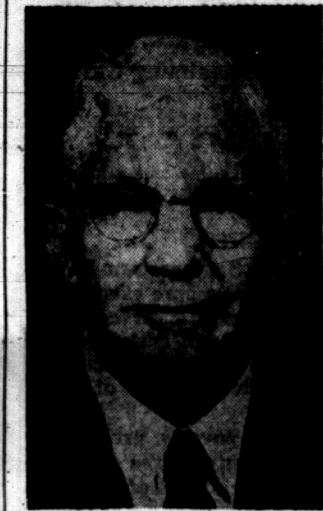
Yet others are pointing out that if the entire war-time transportation and communication tax were repealed, there would be no church-state problem and that all groups in the nation would share alike in the relief given.

Keel Retires

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he has headed the Bible department at Mercer University, Macon, Ga.; Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tenn.; and Union University, Jackson, Tenn.

Dr. and Mrs. Keel have three children, Bill Keel, Jr., Pinckney Keel and David Keel.

MELBOURNE, Australia — (BWA) — Dr. F. W. Boreham, world renowned Christian author of many books, famous essayist, distinguished preacher, fascinating story teller and beloved Baptist minister died on Monday, May 18. The funeral service was held on Thursday, May 21.



Rev. W. L. Meadows

Church Honors Retiring Pastor

An appreciation service was held on June 28 for Rev. W. L. Meadows, who is retiring as pastor of First Church, Quitman after 25 years and five months.

W. Z. Huggins, chairman of the deacons, presided over the meeting and presented a love gift from church members and friends in the amount of \$2,750.

The following speakers paid tribute: Rev. V. G. Clifford, former pastor, First Methodist Church, Quitman; Mrs. J. O. Massey, W. M. U. president, First Baptist Church; Rev. B. G. Martin, pastor, First Methodist Church; S. B. Kirkland, Sunday School superintendent, First Baptist Church.

With reference to his Quitman pastorate, the first contact was made by S. B. Kirkland on November 22, 1933; the first sermon preached in First Church was on November 26, 1933; and Rev. Meadows was called to the Pastorate in December, 1933.

He and his family moved to Quitman and he began regular services in the church on February 4, 1934. Received into the church membership since coming to Quitman have been 1,280 members. During that time Mission Contributions have increased from \$600 to more than \$8,000 annually. The total Budget is more than six times as much as in 1934.

Gives Of His Time
Brother Meadows has given of his time without reservation to all Baptist causes, when and where there has been a need.

In Clarke County Baptist Association he has served as moderator for nine years; clerk-treasurer for the past seven years; is secretary for Grand Clarke County Baptist Pastors' Conference; and is now serving as the member of the Mississippi Baptist Convention

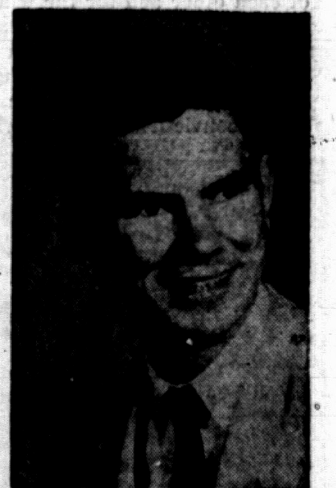
Names In The News

Jack Causey has been ordained to the Gospel ministry by the First Church in Meridian, Dr. Walter L. Moore, pastor.

Howard Barnette celebrated his first anniversary as Minister of Music and Education at First Church, Grenada, on June 28. Dr. John W. Landrum is the pastor at Grenada.

Rev. Robbie Howard of Krole has been called as pastor of the Orange Grove Church in Jackson County. This is his first pastorate. He and Mrs. Howard have three children, Kathy, Lynn, and Eddie.

Rev. Bert West, pastor, reports that a pastor's home is under construction at Larue Church in Jackson Association.



Robert Jones

Takes Job At Richland

Robert Jones has assumed duties as part-time music director at the Richland church.

He is a native of Meridian and is now a student at Mississippi College. He is in charge of two choirs and the youth fellowship program at Richland.

Rev. Malcolm A. Jones is pastor.

Board from Clarke County. He is now president of the Board and is a member of the Executive Committee of the Board.

He has served as president of the Quikman Lion's Club; Master of Terral Masonic Lodge; Worthy Patron of Elikabeth Mason Eastern Star Chapter; Grand Patron of Grand Chapter, Order Eastern Star of the State of Mississippi; Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Mississippi for three years.

Revival Dates

Shiloh (Marion): July 12-17; Rev. Athens McNeil, Bunker Hill pastor, evangelist; Rev. Ralph Cranford, pastor.

Union (Clarke): July 24-31; Rev. Jerry F. Poston, New Orleans, evangelist; Rev. Clarence O. Smith, pastor.

Como: July 13-19 Dr. D. M. Nelson, Jr., pastor, First Church, Greenville, South Carolina, evangelist; Rev. George Feazell, City-Wide B. S. U. Director, New Orleans, song leader; Rev. Paul S. C. Smith, pastor.

Rock Bluff (Rankin): July 12-17; Rev. G. O. Parker, Sr. of Magee, evangelist; Rev. W. P. Milley, pastor.

Laurel Hill (Neshoba): July 12-19; Rev. William F. Evans, pastor of Midway Church, Jackson, evangelist; Rev. Ira C. Griffin, pastor, will lead the music.

Elmo (Union): July 12-17; Rev. Walter Braswell, Crossett, Arkansas, evangelist; Mrs. Sam Barfoot, song leader; Rev. Sam Barfoot, pastor. (Dinner on the grounds on July 12).

Sanford: July 14-19; Rev. Byron Harbin, Dinan Church, Waltham County, evangelist; Rev. D. E. Beasley, pastor. Dinner will be served at the church on July 14).

Oak Grove (Scott): July 12-17; Rev. Billy Pierce, Sledge, evangelist; Rev. H. Glen Schilling, pastor.

Louisville, South: July 12-17; Rev. Walter Burrell, Tallulah Falls, Georgia, evangelist; Rev. Truett Broadus, Montgomery Church, Summit, music leader; Rev. Clyde A. Williams, pastor.

Broadmoor, Jackson: July 15-19; Rev. M. Curtis Borge, recent graduate of Miss. College, evangelist for the youth revival; Rev. David Grant, pastor.

Laurel, Second Avenue: Spiritual Emphasis Week, Dr. Chester E. Swor, speaker; Jimmy Watts, music director; Dr. W. Levon Moore, pastor; six joined the church; "scores of others" made personal decisions.

Rock Creek (Perry): July 12-17; Rev. Harold Blakeney, Main Street, Hattiesburg, song leader; Rev. Dick Braswell, pastor.

Topeka, Jayess: July 12-17; Rev. A. J. Chandler, First Church, Oil City, La., evangelist; Rev. James Douglas, New Orleans Seminary, pastor.

Pickens: July 12-17; Dr. Luther Joe Thompson, Calvary Church, Jackson, evangelist; Price Brock, Jr., song leader; Rev. J. Price Brock, pastor.

Inverness, First: July 19-26; Rev. Wayne Todd, Secretary of the Church Library Service of the SBC, Nashville, Tenn., evangelist; Lowrey Haynie, West Jackson Church, Jackson, Tenn., song leader; Rev. John R. Cobb, pastor.

Coldwater (Neshoba): July 12-17; Rev. Douglas Chatham, evangelist; Bill Wilkinson, song leader; Rev. Clyde Wroten, pastor.

New Prospect (Tishomingo): July 12-17; Rev. L. J. Fairchild, evangelist; Rev. C. C. Cornelius, pastor.

Neshoba: July 12-17; Rev. Roy P. Collum, First Church, Philadelphia, evangelist; Rev. W. E. Palmer, pastor and song leader.

Macedonia (Lebanon): July 12-17; Rev. Troy Sumrall, New Braunfels, Texas, evangelist; Dallas Rayborn, song leader; Rev. Joe F. Stover, pastor.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BPN): A Church Finance Record System Manual has been prepared by J. Marvin Crowe and Merrill D. Moore, as a guide to setting up and operating a businesslike financial system for a church. It will be published by Broadman Press June 1.

Baptists Urged To Observe U. S. Education Week

WASHINGTON — (BP) — American Education Week, Nov. 8-14, has been proclaimed by President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

Pointing to public education as the "primary instrument of democracy" the President called all citizens to "display to the world and to ourselves our pride" in our schools.

"The lessons of today," he said, "emphasize the fact that individual freedom, responsible democracy, and a rising level of living, demand the full strength of a highly trained and dedicated citizenry." He then asked proper observance of American Education Week by "giving our loyal and intelligent support to our schools and to the teachers who have dedicated their lives to the advancement of their students, the children of America."

In commenting on the President's proclamation, C. Emanuel Carlson, executive director of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, said that "few if any religious movements have been stauncher friends of public education than the Baptists have been."

Give Full Support

"While devoted to a program of religious education through the churches," Carlson continued, "Baptists have uniformly given full support to the cause of general education for the whole community. Rarely, if ever, has a Baptist voice been raised in support of an ecclesiastical power which makes people dependent on the church or the clergy for their knowledge of the three R's, for social competence, or for the skills of leadership."

Carlson suggests that "Baptist ministers and publications will want to respond enthusiastically to the President's proclamation. As the proclamation implies, the failure of public education in the U. S. may well mean the decline of the free way of life which we cherish as Americans."

Theological School Opened In Peru

LIMA, Peru (BWA) — The Peruvian Baptist Theological Institute was opened in Lima with eight students enrolled in the first class. The majority of the students had felt the Lord's call to full-time Christian service for more than a year, but had had no opportunity for training before the institute opened, reports Mrs. J. Bryan Brasington, Southern Baptist missionary.

Dr. Randall D. Sledge is president of the institute and professor of New Testament. Other professors are: Rev. Lowell E. Ledford, Old Testament; Rev. Charles W. Bryan, evangelism; Rev. J. Bryan Brasington, church history; Mrs. Sledge, music and piano.

Abner McCall To Be Vice-President For Baylor U.

WACO, Tex. — (BP) — Baylor University's trustees have voted to shelve the chancellorship system for at least two years and retain W. R. White as president.

Law school Dean Abner McCall will assume active leadership of the university however as executive vice-president. This will leave White free to concentrate on promoting "public understanding" of Baylor's role and needs, and helping raise money for her future. This has been White's desire for some time.

As executive vice-president of the 114-year-old Texas Baptist university, McCall will have full administrative authority over all academic and professional branches.

The 44-year-old McCall has been identified with Baylor University almost continuously since he entered as a freshman student in 1933. He holds B. A. and LL.B. degrees from Baylor and an LL.M. degree from the University of Michigan.

530—The Baptist Box

By Anne Washburn McWilliams
Editorial Assistant

The state headquarters of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board has for many years had the same address in Jackson: Box 530.

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Each morning Ulysses Tate and Robert Burrus, janitors at the Baptist Building for many years, collect the mail at the Post Office From Box 530.

Mr. Moss Dodds, member of First Church, Jackson, an employee at the Post Office for many years, says that "when he was a little boy," the Baptist Building had the same Post Office number. Then, as now, it was Box 530.

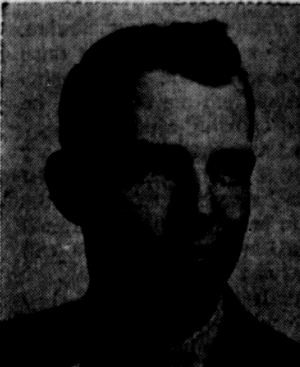
Mrs. Horne Says
Mrs. L. K. Horne, member of Calvary Church, Jackson, who now works at the Post Office and who has worked at the Post Office in Jackson for 22 years, states that as long as she can remember, the Baptist Building Post Office box number has been Box 530.

In the earlier years the Post Office did not take applications for box numbers, so there is no record of the exact time the Baptist Building began using that number. Mrs. Horne says that the Baptist Building had Box 530 in 1932 when the new Post Office Building was erected on Capitol Street in downtown Jackson, and even before that time when the Post Office was located in the Hinds Garage behind Edwards Hotel.

I had thought I'd count the

mail that comes in one day to the Baptist Building—but it would take too much time. I do know that it overflows Box 530.

Wheelbarrow
Many years ago the Baptist Records were brought to the Baptist Building from the Post Office on a wheelbarrow pushed by Sam Brown, now deceased. Later Sam drove mules and a wagon from the Post Office until finally he graduated to a pick-up truck. The bonded janitors with their mailbags today use a pick-up truck to get the mail every morning for the Baptist Building From Box 530.



Rev. Paul Moon

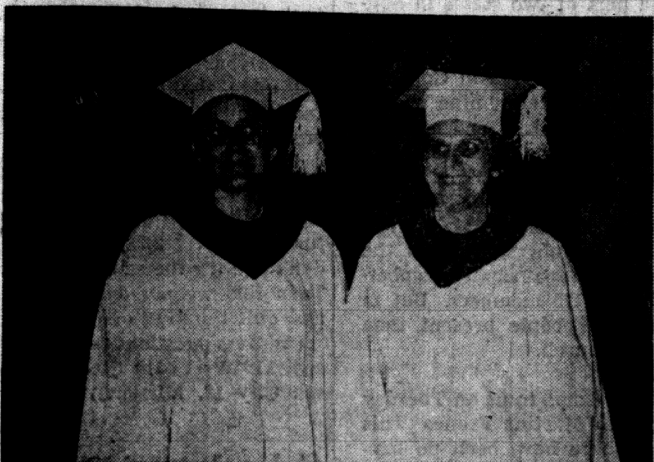
Accepts Copiah Post

Rev. Paul Moon has resigned the pastorate at Bethlehem Church in Simpson County to become pastor of Strong Hope Church in Copiah County.

He is a graduate of Mississippi College and attended New Orleans Seminary. He is the father of two daughters, Donna, 5 years, and Lisa, 5 months.



PROFESSORS TO STUDY—Two William Carey College professors, Paul W. Spikes, (left) professor of mathematics, and Roy Hood, professor of biology, will attend institutes this summer under grants from the National Science Foundation. Mr. Spikes will attend the Summer Institute for College Mathematics Teachers at the University of California in Los Angeles. Mr. Hood is attending the Institute for College Biology Professors at the University of Oregon.



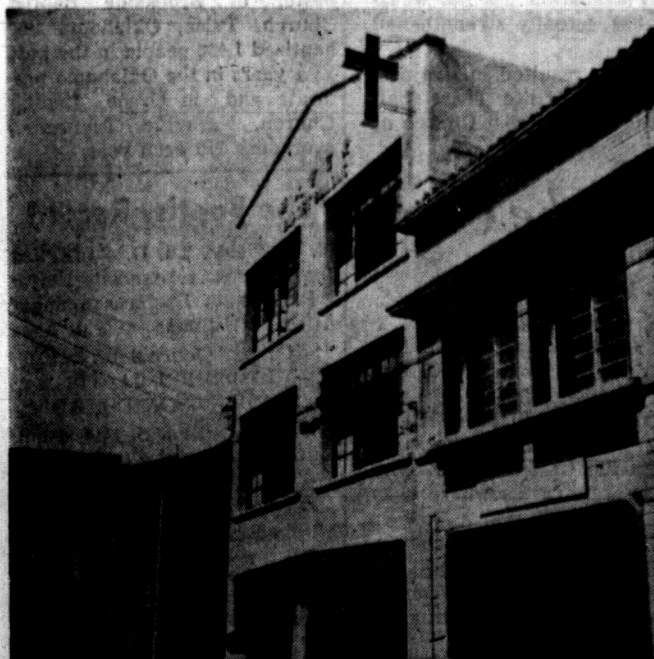
SOUTHSIDE, MERIDIAN—Pictured left to right are Mrs. W. E. Speed and Mrs. Eron Darsey as they received their Sunday School Workers Citation Awards at the South Side Church's fourth annual Commencement exercises, June 21. They were among 32 receiving awards following the Commencement message delivered by the pastor, Rev. W. E. Speed. Miss Ruby Cox, in charge of training, presented the class to Hugh Foster, Minister of Education, who in turn presented the diplomas, assisted by Louie Godwin, Sunday School Supt., and Miss Cox. Other diplomas were eight Workers, nine Advanced and thirteen Masters.



FIRST CHURCH, TUTWILER licensed Jimmy Kellum as a minister on June 14. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Kellum, Tutwiler. Robert H. Miller, Chairman of Deacons, is shown presenting the license to him. Upon completion of his senior year in West Tallahatchie High School, Jimmy plans to enter Mississippi College. Rev. Clarence F. Young is pastor of the church.



THE VBS AT Poplar Springs Church, Newton County, had an enrollment of 61, with an average attendance of 58. The commencement exercise on Friday night was followed by a church social; ice cream and cake were served by the Church Social Committee. The pastor, Rev. E. L. Clark, served as Principal, assisted by Leo Tutor, Sunday School Superintendent and a full faculty of workers.



TAIPEI BAPTIST BUILDING—The Baptist Building in downtown Taipei, Taiwan (Formosa), has been dedicated in a service at which Dr. Winston Crawley, secretary for the Orient for the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, was the main speaker. The building contains office space for the treasurer and chairman of the Taiwan Baptist Mission (organization of Southern Baptist missionaries) and the president of the Taiwan Baptist Convention. It also has conference rooms and a soundproof recording studio. The Baptist Book Store is located next door.

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the same cave. There was vitality in the life of the church in Matera, and I was reminded of the truth of the words of Jesus, applicable to this—"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for their is the kingdom of heaven." A church of 67 members, with some 100 others who sympathize with their position, overflowed the church building.

Baptist Boom

My most memorable experience occurred in Mottola, a town of 15,000. The church here consists of 179 members, with 25 awaiting baptism. The church was organized in 1939, with only a few members. It has now far outgrown its meeting place, and in September, the congregation will move into its completely new building, which will be the largest Baptist church building in Italy. The sanctuary will seat 400, and the structure will also have an apartment for the pastor's family and Sunday School assembly and class rooms. It is being built with regular funds from the Cooperative Program gifts and special funds from the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions.

The crowd in Mottola was the largest of the week. All seating and standing room inside was filled, and a loud speaker was used to give the service to the ones who jammed the street outside. The use by Baptists of a loud speaker is prohibited in most of Italy, but because the Baptist sympathizers in Mottola number 1,000 of the total population of 15,000, Catholic authorities can do nothing. Eleven persons came forward to make their public confession of faith during the invitation in this fine church.

Gratitude

As I left Italy, it was with gratitude and a sense of satisfaction for the investment Southern Baptist have made in this Catholic-dominated country. I returned to the States with a new appreciation for the freedom of religious conviction and practice which we enjoy. I am confident that a bright future awaits the Baptist witness in Italy for two reasons: the quality of the Christians' lives and witness; the apparently more tolerant government position toward evangelical groups.

Venice And Ferrara

By Schuyler Batson, Oxford

In the area of northern Italy in the general vicinity of Venice the Baptist work is around 50 years old. I was privileged to preach in churches at Venice and Ferrara. Most of my work was in Ferrara, an industrial city and a university center. Excellent preparation had been made in the church by pastor Salvatore Corda, a very evangelistic young man 29 years of age. His very splendid knowledge of the English language made him a most effective interpreter of the messages.

The church was filled each evening by service time at 9:00 p. m. During the invitation there was always a clear manifestation of the working of the Holy Spirit, with 24 individuals professing faith in Christ. While making no public commitment, one man in the employ of the Italian government, expressed the feeling that God is calling him to preach. He asks our prayers that God's will may be clearly revealed.

City-wide Revival

One significant by-product of the week was the pastor's statement that it had definitely prepared the ground for a city-wide revival in the city auditorium sometime in the future. I am grateful to God for the Baptists of Italy and for the privilege afforded me of having a small share in this great preaching mission.

Turin Gets Gospel

By Clarence Cutrell, Biloxi

I was assigned to the area in and around Torino, Italy and had the great privilege of speaking in four warm-hearted Baptist churches.

Sunday morning I shared the speaking engagement in the First Baptist Church of Torino with Mr. Paul Nunnery. At the request of the pastor, Bro. Bruno Saccomani, we made this a worship service with no invitation at the close. I spoke on the subject, "The Happy Man" from Psalms and Paul gave his testimony on "How A Layman Can Be Happy In Christian Service." Our hearts were blessed by the fervent spirit of the members and pastor and by the gracious welcome accorded us.

On Monday and Tuesday evenings I was with Rev. Tullio Saccomani in his church at Cuorne (pronounced Kworn'ya) Dr. Ben Lawton, one of our missionaries at Rivoli, served as translator. He is a gifted and dedicated servant of our Lord and I received a great blessing from my fellowship with him. The pastor not only approved the giving of an invitation, he also added his own fervent appeal.

Decisions

The first night there were four professions of faith and eight rededications. The local priest had two young men present in this service as spies to learn what was going on. I do not know what these young men thought but I was happy that they had witnessed the working of the Holy Spirit in an evangelist service.

In the second service in this young preaching mission, organized last December, there were six professions of faith and six rededications. One of those who made a profession was an eight-year old boy. His parents told me that since he was five years of age he has talked of being a preacher.

This is Italy's great need. On the front of the missionary in Rivoli are the words: GRANDE E LA MESSE E POCHI SOND GLI OPERA: "Great is the harvest and few are the laborers." Let us join our hearts in prayer with the national pastors and missionaries that "the Lord of the harvest will thrust forth laborers into the harvest."

According to the practice of our Italian Baptists, this boy and others below 13 years of age will not be baptized for some time, possibly several years. But already it appears that God is preparing the heart of this boy to preach the "unsearchable riches of His word." Pray for him.

Leadership

On Wednesday and Thursday evenings I was at Sant' Antonio with Rev. Elde Mattone and again Dr. Lawton served as translator. Bro. Mattone's name means "brick" and he is just that in the Lord's work. He is a choice servant and a wonderful man to have as a friend.

There was only one rededication and no professions of faith at Sant' Antonio. However, the church was filled each evening and about half of the congregation was made up of Catholics who were attending their first evangelical service. The pastor said he felt sure that precious seeds had been sown that would produce a great harvest in the future.

I received a great blessing when we were entertained at the pastor's home after the service. We had a lengthy dis-



It Makes A Big Difference

cussion on the subject of revival meetings with special emphasis on prayer in a revival. Bro. Mattone has refreshing spirit in prayer as indeed most of the Italian pastors do. They have paid a tremendous price for their faith and it was a privilege to be associated with them.

Catholics Burn Building

On Friday night I spoke at another of Bro. Mattone's churches at MEANA. Dr. Piero Bensì, pastor of the First Baptist Church at Florence, Italy, was my translator. He speaks in beautiful Italian and has a fervent spirit in preaching. There was one adult woman who accepted Christ in this service.

This church is located on the side of a mountain and serves several scattered communities. The Baptists of this area purchased the property and buildings adjoining the church with the hopes of some day having an assembly located here. After the Baptists secured the property a Catholic man set fire to the building. Extensive damage was done but they still have hopes of using the walls that were left standing. They plan to build the assembly with the volunteer labor of young people who wish to spend a summer in Italy and receive their board and lodging for their labor.

One of the leading spirits in the church at Meana is a Mrs. ALLEMANO. She lived for nine years in Pennsylvania with her American-Italian husband. Mr. Allemano served until his death in the United States Army and Mrs. Allemano still receives a widow's pension from the U. S. government.

Work Promising

Baptist work in this industrial and scenic Piedmont section of Italy is promising, but many difficulties and persecutions lie ahead. Piedmont means "foot of the mountains" and this is where Baptist work is now. But some bright day it will reach the top of the mountain and a new day will come to the great nation of Italy.

Laymen At Rome School

By Dr. M. L. Flynt and M. F. Rayburn, Meridian

We were assigned to the Bethany Institute in Rome. Services were held Sunday morning at eleven and each evening at 6:30 through Thursday. These days were some of the richest experiences of our lives.

The Institute is a training school for worthy young leaders age, 15 to 24, under the able direction of Miss Virginia Wingo.

Miss Wingo interpreted for 4 of the services and Dr. Manfredi Ronchi interpreted the remaining two services. Dr. Ronchi is the president of the Italian Baptist Union. He is a scholar and a gentleman in every sense of the word. We enjoyed and appreciated knowing him and were thankful for the opportunity of talking with him to learn first hand just how difficult it is in Italy for Baptists to promote the work that we feel God has lead us to do.

We met many lovely people and saw a number make a decision for Christ. Our own lives were enriched so much that we felt the trip was made just for our own good, but many, many people thanked us so warmly for coming that we felt we had been used of God to bring a blessing to those lovely, loyal, faithful people of the church at the Bethany Institute.

To pick out highlights is impossible. The whole week was one glorious experience for us.

Milan Students Reached

Kermit Canterbury, Jackson

We arrived in Milan on Saturday and Dr. Inquanti, pastor of the First Baptist Church met us and helped to get a room in the New York Hotel for the week. We accompanied him to the church where we prayed together for a successful week.

The Sunday morning worship hour was well attended. There were only a few children as they were in Summer camp. Sunday School had been called off for the summer. Rev. Michelini Solomon, a Captain in the Salvation Army was our interpreter. An invitation, for those who would profess Christ and follow him in baptism, was given and eighteen adults came and stood around the pulpit. Prayer was made, collection taken, a special (The Lord's Prayer in English) and we were dismissed.

Plane Crash

We did not hold a service in this church again until Friday evening. A storm started at 4:00 p. m. and lasted until midnight. A TWA Super Constellation plane crashed near Milan and 68 persons were killed. The tragedy and the storm hindered the service in which we expected the greatest results. An invitation for those who would accept Christ, and make an open stand for him and his cause, to hold up their hands. About sixty persons answered the appeal. We had met discouragement in desire to get them to "walk the aisle" on this night. I had worked personally with some University Students during the week and in the afternoon had been in Luigi Bossini's home where three professions were made. These were among the people who made decisions at this service. Most of the sixty were rededications.

We held services in an open court yard in Lodi a city of 50,000 population, in the afternoon. There was continuous rain, yet over 100 people stood under the eaves of the house and worshipped. I have never seen greater need for a church building. There is no other evangelical church in the city. Some of these people come forty kilometers in the storm on Friday to worship in Milan.

Lifted Hands

Services were held in Varese and Caravaggio, where Rev. Palo Albergò is pastor. Decisions were made by lifted hands.

Mr. Joe Ross of Jackson and I alternated in bringing messages.

The other services were held in the Second Baptist church of Milan. Mr. Ross brought the message on one night and I on the other. I gave the invitation for complete allegiance to Christ. Miss Ginaeppine Tortorello and Antonio Valenitino, two young people, came to the front and gave beautiful testimonies of their desire to follow Christ in baptism.

Other young people, including some University of Milan students, came with many questions. One accepted Christ, another was bothered with "Is it necessary to be converted?" I assigned him to Miss Elvira Bonfiglio, who is working on her doctorate in languages, to talk to him further about this drastic work of the Spirit.

On Monday in Varese our interpreter was Comfori Viltorio whose knowledge of English had been picked up in an English prison during the war. Rev. Inquanti interpreted the later part of the week with the help of Mrs. Ginetta Mantredi and ladies from Scotland and Holland. Only one of these had ever tried to interpret a message prior to these services. God used our witness and theirs. We feel that much good shall result from the week of revival services in Milan.

Police Patrols

By Samuel M. Brown, Brice

Rev. Charles Phillips and I had the pleasure of preaching in nine churches scattered over a part of two states in Southern Italy, bordering on the Aegean Sea, during the week of June 21-27. One of the greatest thrills of my ministry came on Sunday morning June 21 at the church in Goir del Colle. After preaching through an interpreter, nine people made public their profession of faith in Christ and approximately thirty-five others rededicated their lives anew to Christ. Pastor Giacomo Pistone, pastor of Goia del Colle, was my interpreter for most of the week. He had learned English while spending seven years in Boston, Mass. The church in Goia has only about fifty members. Most of the Baptist churches in Southern Italy have small memberships, the largest we visited had only 175 members. But in every service what there were more people present than the total number of members of the church.

No Baptisms

Another very thrilling experience came to us on Tuesday night when we visited a new work in Martina Franca. This work was started in 1954. As yet there have been no baptisms into the church. Some 24 candidates are studying Baptist doctrines and have requested baptism. Pastor Giovanni Vizzula informed us that most of the candidates were about ready for baptism and full fellowship.

There was more zeal and enthusiasm shown in this congregation than any we visited. The church auditorium was newly decorated. There were flower arrangements on the stage. The furniture was hand-made by members. All new and very nice.

We had one of the largest congregations of the week. All standing room was taken and the overflow was backed all the way across the street in front of the door. Unusually good response was demonstrated in this service.

Pressures

On Friday night June 26, in Manduria, the southern most town we visited was a Catholic stronghold. Population of the town was about 15,000. One young Baptist church is there with 24 members, all of which were men. Because of social and economic pressures imposed by the Catholics the women and many of the men were afraid to be identified with Baptists groups as they lose their jobs and are social outcasts.

Police

The service for Friday night had been publicized and before the service started the police began patrolling the streets by the church. When they would pass, fear would register on the faces of many and some left. Several ventured inside the church but fear would register again and they left. We had the smallest crowd of the week who stayed through the service.

I have come to appreciate anew the freedom of worship we have in America.

Progress At Rivoli

By Clinton Perkins, West Point

My greatest experience during the week of June 21-26 was coming to know something of the devotion of the people in the Rivoli Baptist Church. It began in 1949 when three children met for Bible study in the kitchen of a missionary family and was organized as a church in 1956. Now the church has 80 members and a Sunday School enrollment of approximately 125.

In 1954, the future First Baptist Church of Rivoli laid the cornerstone of their future home. It was an act of faith—faith that financial obstacles would be overcome and the building completed. Today the church has a beautiful building costing \$20,000 and a debt of only \$2000. This is a remarkable achievement for people whose average income is between forty and fifty dollars per month.

Sacrifice

Truly the members of the Rivoli Baptist Church are a dedicated people. The pastor told me of a lady who out of her earnings of approximately fifteen dollars per month gave fifty dollars to missions last Christmas. This was in addition to her regular gifts to the church. Several of the members of this church lost their jobs when it became known they were affiliated with a Baptist church. Persecution has not weakened their faith in the least. It has actually strengthened their devotion to the Lord.

Our revival effort during the week resulted in five professions of faith and eleven rededications of life. There shall be a warm place in my heart for the First Baptist Church of Rivoli, Italy.

Florence And The Coast

By Tom Douglas, Pontotoc

and Harold Shirley, Yazoo City

In the five Baptist churches, or preaching stations, in which we preached we were at once "at home" with our Italian brethren.

Sunday we were in the lovely old town of Florence where culture is evident on every hand. The services there were much like those of a city church in the United States. One thing which impressed us here, as well as elsewhere, was that all the people sang.

Even though the pastor and the others with whom we worked did not give us the freedom of an invitation, still we had a young woman 25 years of age to make a profession of faith. They went to see the pastor privately and voluntarily after the service.

We were closely associated with the national pastors and even though we did not agree with them on every point of procedure we felt that ultimately the most would be accomplished through Christian cooperation.

Young Ph.D.

All day Sunday we were with our pastor, Dr. Piero Bensì, who has a Ph.D. from the University of Turin. He is a most remarkable man and the awkwardness of speaking through an interpreter for the first time was lessened by his genial

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Counselor's Corner

By DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON

FORGIVENESS

QUESTION: How much is involved in forgiveness? If a man went with a married woman be-

fore he married and continued to go with her off and on all his life after he was married and died in her house, it is wrong for the man's wife to long for revenge on this bad woman? Is a person expected to forgive after all this injury?

ANSWER: You misunderstand what forgiveness is all about. What you need is to learn to live in the present and quit looking back. It is acceptance and not forgiveness that is your problem. You cannot undo the past. You certainly must accept it as a part of our sinful existence.

The Bible says about Jesus when he was mistreated that "he trusted to him who judges justly (1 Peter 2:23 RVS). Why don't you try the same method? Turn this woman over to God and quit thinking of her.

(Address questions to Dr. Hudson, 116 West 47th Street, Kansas City 12, Missouri)

Calendar of Prayer

July 13 — W. A. Whitten, Seminary Extension Department; J. M. Ernest, William Carey faculty.

July 14 — Miss Ada Bond, Miss College faculty; Brooks Haynes, Blue Mountain College faculty; W. C. Fields, Baptist Record editor.

July 15 — Ann Burnside, Baptist Book Store; Mrs. S. B. Cooper, State W. M. U. Prayer Chairman.

July 16 — John McBride, Carroll Assoc. Brotherhood & Pres.; Martin J. Gilbert, Riverside Assoc. Missionary.

July 17 — Mrs. Roberta Taylor Baptist Building; Mrs. Jean Gullette, Baptist Building.

July 18 — Tommy Lovren, Calhoun Assoc. Music Director; Eugene Cole, Bolivar Assoc. Music Director.

July 19 — Mrs. Mamie Medlin, faculty, Gilfoy School of Nursing; J. D. Sims, faculty, Carey College.

Broadmoor Plans Youth Retreat

On Monday morning, July 13, the young people of Broadmoor Church, Jackson, Rev. David Grant, pastor, will leave for a three-day Youth Retreat at Granada Lake.

Wednesday, July 15, they will return to Jackson to begin a youth revival.

Stigler Accepts Ohio Position

A man who practices evangelism has been elected state secretary of Evangelism for the State Convention of Baptists in Ohio. Dr. W. Leonard Stigler, pastor of Brookside Baptist Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma has baptized 1,452 people in the past 12½ years in the Oklahoma pastorate and in Grace Baptist Church, Nashville, Tennessee, averaging 115 each year.

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spirit and great ability. We felt sure that we had made some true friends and had also created a good spirit for Southern Baptists. This church is now self-supporting.

Monday we had a five-hour train ride to the lovely town of Civitavecchia, on the Mediterranean Sea. We went to the pastor's home and found he could speak scarcely any English. Therefore we had trouble being understood. We had no trouble, however, knowing that we were most welcome.

The pastor, Rev. Nando Camellini, was very concerned because the interpreter, Rev. Mike Sinigaglia, had not arrived at 5:00 p. m. and the service was scheduled at 5:30 p. m. About 5:20 we had prayer and went outside to go to the preaching station and there stood Mike at the door knocking. He thought the service was at 9:30 p. m., as many were, and he just came on early. Seven of us piled into a small Italian car (FIAT 600)—still seems impossible—and drove several miles out to a farm house.

There were about 25 people already present and as we walked around speaking to the people, 15 or 20 more came. The service was held out on a courtyard overlooking the sea and was an experience never to be forgotten.

By The Sea

We were introduced to three couples and two young people who had recently given their hearts to the Lord and were being taught for about 25 hours of study prior to baptism. With these eager, smiling Christians in front of us and the lovely Mediterranean Sea behind them it was a thrill to tell of Jesus. Our meeting place had been changed since the owner of the first house did not want the tenant to have this evangelical service there. After the service was over the pastor had about 15 of the Sunday School children sing for us. It could have been a mission of the church at Yazoo City or Pontotoc.

Tuesday we were in the church at Civitavecchia for a service. Wednesday night we went to another preaching station right out on a hillside where the people sat on the ground. The service was announced for 5:30 but actually began at 6:00 p. m., as time has little meaning for them. At this service there were about 75 people with about 25 of them being young people.

Holy Ground

We were right by a road and people passing would stop and listen. There seemed to be no language barrier as we told these people what Jesus means to us and watched them as they beamed their response. We spoke with them after the service and tried out our feeble Italian and they said what little English they knew. We felt that we were on holy ground and could have stayed with them, but for the absence of our loved ones. It was with deep reluctance that we told them, not goodbye, but "arrivederci"—till we meet again!

After another long train ride back to Florence we had another service in Florence where Miss Gina Bassi, the president of the Italian Woman's Missionary Society, was the interpreter.

Friday afternoon we rode the bus to Pistoia, a city of about 80,000 people where the church had only 80 members. As before, the pastor spoke very little English and his family none. As soon as we were in the house we could feel that we were in a Christian home. We had the evening meal in their home, and this was the exception, as we ate out to avoid being any expense to the people. The meal consisted of steak, a sort of squash stuffed with meat sauce, salad of tomatoes and lettuce and orange juice. After the meal we had some of the wonderful Italian fruit and then strong coffee. It was all good.

Goodbye

A college girl was to serve as interpreter and we did not even see her until it was time to speak. But she had no trouble.

After the service about half the congregation of 60 walked across the city to the station with us and saw us off. We used sign language, smiles, and did whatever we could to communicate. When they told us goodbye, we knew we had found friends.

We know that the Italian Baptists do not want to be compelled to become copies of American Baptists. We know they face many grave problems. We know that they love and serve Jesus as Saviour. We know we learned to love them. And we know that we are grateful to our churches and the Lord for making it possible for us to have this on-the-spot missionary experience.

Italy's Baptist Valley

By Paul Nunnery, Hollandale

As the only layman in a group of five men assigned to the city of Turin (Torino), Italy and environs, I was pleased and made humble to find that as a result of magnificent planning and organization directed by the national pastors and guided by the missionaries, each of our group had his own special place of service for the week of simultaneous evangelistic effort.

On Sunday morning, June 21 at the regular morning worship service and again at 4:00 o'clock that afternoon at a two-hour "kick-off" service attended by all churches in the Turin area, I was privileged to speak in the Passolacqua Church in the city of Turin—the largest in the city and one of the oldest in Italy. Pastor Bruno Saccomani of that church, Secretary of Evangelism in Italy, served as our host. The daily association with him was without question, one of the high-lights of the week for me.

Susa Valley

Beginning Monday, June 22, my speaking assignment was in the Susa Valley or "Baptist Valley"—an area of fertile farm lands and beautiful farm villages lying between two mountain ranges about 40 to 50 miles from the city of Turin. I spoke in the village church of Susa on Monday and Tuesday, June 22 and 23; in the church at Bussoleno, a neighboring village on Wednesday and Thursday and in the mountain

church of Mompantero on Friday night.

Our revival concept being new to our Italian brethren, no invitation was extended in these services until Wednesday night, June 24 at Bussoleno. On that night one adult came on profession of faith. On Thursday night at Bussoleno, nine came professing Christ. I was told by Pastor Dorio Bertrando that the Bussoleno Church was known as a "cold church." On Friday night at Mompantero 25 rededications were made. Approximately half the congregation each night were Catholic and numbers of "inquiries" were made.

The Island Of Sardinia

By James Richardson, Leland

From the incredible beauty of its blue and white coastline to the emerald perfection of its vineyards and orange groves and on to the rocky grandeur of its remote north country, the little island of Sardinia is a joy to behold. Situated in the midst of the Mediterranean Sea, this strip of land is about 300 miles long and 125 miles wide.

The Baptist Evangelical Christian church at Cagliari, Sardinia's largest city, is the only Baptist church on the island. It is indeed, the only evangelical church with the exception of a small Pentecostal group at Quarta. This little 95-member church is 80 years old now, and is one of the six self-supporting Baptist churches in all of Italy. It has moved slowly, but with solid, real spiritual development and now is a lighthouse in the city of 200,000.

Memories

As I recall the brief days we spent preaching and worshipping together there many memories clamor for attention: The young pastor, Angelo Chiarelli, whose brilliant ability and deep faith challenged my soul.

Voices mingled, singing praises to God in two languages. An old man who found a scrap of one of the gospels was converted upon reading it and searched until he found a church that preached the truth which he had discovered.

A young boy named Daniele, speaking in faltering English, "I feel God call me to preach."

Stoned

An old Bible salesman, pioneer evangelical on the island, invalid now, but with the joy of heaven on his face as he talked of being stoned in the villages where he had tried to spread God's word.

Young voices singing choruses in the night.

And a warm feeling of being completely accepted because all of us were servants of the same Saviour.

The greatest impact of all for me, however, was the recognizable joy in the lives of this little group of Christians—joy and an open and unashamed love for each other. As I lived with and watched this minority group in this teeming city, over and over these words kept coming to my heart, "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another."

In Columbus' Home Town

By Jeff Brantley, Forest

For a week it was a joy to witness for Christ in Genoa, Italy, the city which is Christopher Columbus' birthplace. Pastor Euredio Sautilli and his fine people were gracious hosts, but their faith under trial and their witness for Christ strengthened my own heart and soul.

Services were held in several surrounding communities, and at some unusual hours—from 9:30 in the morning to as late as 9 at night. Yet, the church, seating around 200 was always full of people. Sixteen came to take Christ as Saviour and nearly 50 in rededication.

The Genoa Baptist Church is strong by European standards, but we longed to see them work more with children. The converts were all adults, and we were grateful for that. Still in most services there were no children 14 and under. The women's work is adequate.

Active Witnesses

The most thrilling part of our campaign was the definite witnessing for Jesus done by men and women of the congregation. Many of them had been in contact with other men into the service.

From the very first service, God's Spirit was working, people were praying and working. About the greatest thrill of my ministry was the very first service. Preaching in a language they did not understand, and translated into one I did not understand, yet 3 came to Christ. I knew as never before, it is by God's Spirit.

Genoa, a city of nearly three quarters of a million people is not without a strong witness for Christ. God is blessing and using Pastor Sautilli and his people.

Blackout At Pordenone

By T. E. Fant, Laurel

My preaching was in the Baptist church at Pordenone, a beautiful city in northern Italy near the Austrian border.

Arriving at the church some five minutes before by first service was to begin, I was ushered into the sanctuary by the pastor, Rev. Coacci Vincenzo. At that moment there was a thunderstorm in progress and as I stepped into the beautiful sanctuary and anxiously looked across the house, I was astonished and thankful for the sight which met my eyes. The house was filled with praying people, waiting for their souls to be fed with the Bread of Life.

At that very instant lightning struck the power lines and plunged the entire city into complete darkness. It was so dark that you could not see the person nearest you. There were no candles (the pastor purchased some the next day) so we were

forced to conduct the service in darkness. The lights did not come on for three hours.

U. S. Service Personnel

At the conclusion of the service some fifteen American servicemen, along with some of their wives, groped their way through the darkness to greet me and to pledge their earnest support of the revival. Some of these were from near by home in Laurel. They were stationed a few miles away and attended the services in increasing numbers each night.

There were many rich experiences in the church during those nights. As many as fourteen precious souls, upon making various types of decisions, came forward for after-service counselling and would remain for an hour if necessary even though the services did not close until 10:30 each evening. I would not attempt to say how many made decisions. But God gave great victory.

Italian Homes

One of the richest experiences was the privilege of visiting in the homes of the people. I found the Italian people to be warm-hearted and friendly. They are indeed among the most gracious people I have ever met. The meals they prepared in their homes were wonderful.

Truly, no revival effort during my entire ministry has ever blessed my soul with more wonderful experiences than this.

I shall always thank my God, my good church at Laurel, and our state leaders for making possible these blessed experiences.

Try To Disrupt Service

By L. Frank Campbell, Jackson

Lucenta is one of three active and progressive churches, under the Southern Baptist banner in Turin, Italy. An English group sponsors two other Baptist groups in the city.

Rev. Carmelo Mollicca is a warm-hearted shepherd of this flock. When he became its pastor seven years ago the congregation was torn by dissension. He has welded them into a potentially powerful striking force for the Lord.

Cooperating, following every suggestion of the evangelist—even to the point of allowing him to use an invitation although it had never been done in the church before—we saw the spirit of the Lord begin to move among the people. The evangelist had the joy of helping them learn the technique of welcoming converts. The Lord won through His Spirit victories in the lives of 43 people.

Disturber Converted

Cuneo is a city of 60,000, 89 kilometers south of Turin. It is the capitol of the Piedmont region of Central Italy. One evangelical church—a Baptist church with three members. Pastor A. Antoniella is a vigorous and capable man, selected by the Italian Baptist Union to begin this work. The church was full at both services on Thursday and Friday night. On Thursday three came with the intention of disrupting the service. The evangelist turned gospel fire which made them retire from the service. On the following night one of these men was back. On the invitation this man, his wife and daughter came forward. The man asked for prayers for his two companions of the night before because "they need Jesus, too."

Brother Franco Ronchi, a graduate at our Seminary in Turin this year, who spoke flawless English served as interpreter in the services and in the inquiry periods following the services.

Britisher Assists

Brother Michael Canning, of Manchester, England, assisted at the services in Cuneo—leading in prayer and because of his ability with the Italian speech was of help in dealing with those who sought information and enlightenment following Friday's service.

Others expressed interest in Christ. The evangelist secured names and addresses of these and will write to them urging their acceptance of the Saviour.

The Gospel In Milan

By Joe Ross, Jackson

May the Lord have the honor and praise and give the increase to the churches in Milano, Lodi, Varese and to the mission of First Baptist Church in Via Ponchielli, Milan which conducted the services and conducted the evangelistic campaign. Pastors C. Ingardi and Paolo Albergo were helpful and appreciative. The people were unusually cordial and responsive. It proved to me that in any land or language where people crown Christ King instead of idols the miracles of salvation can always be found.

Many people publicly accepted Christ as their Saviour. Many more rededicated their purposes in life to God.

The part of Italy we worked in needs more preachers. For instance in Lodi (pop. 50,000) not one evangelical church—Milan with over 1,500,000 people has one church and one mission station. I trust our people in Mississippi will continue with their prayers and money. I hope that our preachers and teachers at home will realize that now is our opportunity to evangelize Italy for Jesus Christ.

The Valencia Faithful

By Carl Duck, Batesville

I was assigned to Valencia and the surrounding area and was given the very happy privilege of working with our Southern Baptist missionary in Valencia, Brother Joe Melford. He and I were seminary roommates in the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. The joy of being in the fellowship of this dedicated man of God and his family will be remembered as one of the highlights of my week in Spain.

It was my privilege to speak in the following places: First, Valencia; Castebon de la Plana, Denia; Second, Val-

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THE BAPTIST RECORD
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New Books

I FOUND GOD IN SOVIET RUSSIA by M. John Noble (St. Martin's Press, 192 pp., \$3.95)—the soul-stirring story of a man's ten years as a prisoner in the USSR, introduction by Billy Graham.

TRAIL TO OKLAHOMA by Jim Booker (Broadman, 184 pp., \$2.95)—a novel of pioneer days in the mid-west colorfully told by a North Carolina newspaperman, good reading for all ages.

DIDACTIC POEMS FROM BROTHER TO INIS HANCOCK-HURD, Scribe: Allan D. Grant (Vantage, 63 pp., \$2.00)—a hetero-skelter collection of fair poetry by one of the minor prophets of meta-physics.

YOGA FOR AMERICANS by Indra Devi (Prentiss-Hall, Inc., 226 pp., \$4.95)—A dandy six-week course for those who have nothing else to do, a well-written handbook on how to organize boredom and call it by Oriental names.

A GUIDE TO THE PARABLES OF JESUS by Hilyer H. Stratton (Wm. B. Eerdmans, 196 pp., \$3.50)—some new shafts of light on the old stories, presented by an American Baptist Convention pastor.

TWO THOUSAND TONGUES TO GO by Ethel E. Wallis and Mary A. Bennett (Harper, 308 pp., \$4.95)—the thrilling account of adventures by the Wycliffe Bible Translators trying to reach the world's "unbibled" millions.

THE SCREWTAPE LETTERS by C. S. Lewis (the Macmillan Co., 160 pp., \$1.75)—a paperback edition of this classic work on the modus operandi of the devil, the most entertaining work of theology that has been written in this century.

CHRISTIAN WITNESSING by Floy M. Barnard (Convention Press, 111 pp., \$1.50)—the veteran professor from Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, presents the central theme, of the Jubilee Advance emphasis, a part of the WMU program on evangelism during 1959.

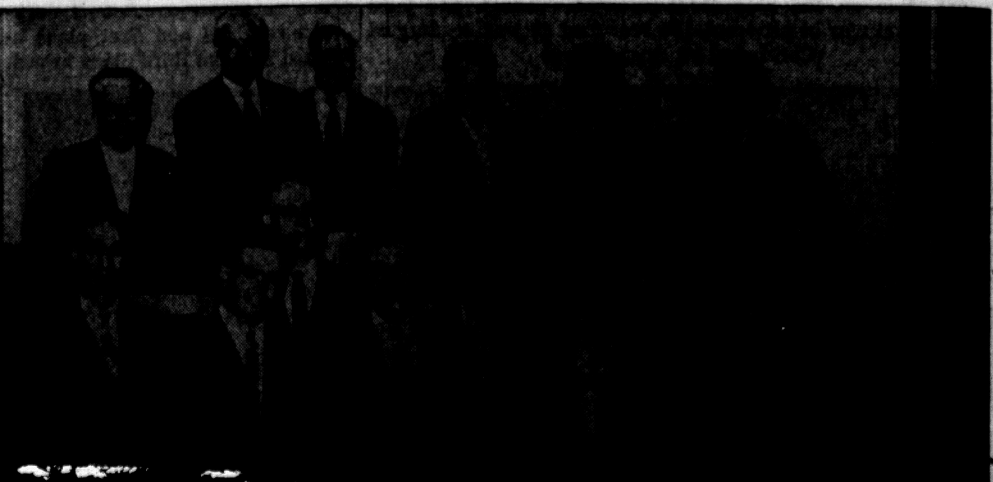
CHRISTIANITY AND CIVILIZATION by H. Clay Trumbull (Society School Times Co., 62 pp., \$1.35)—a tract to better relations with people and with God.

A WORLD WITHOUT JEWS by Karl Mark, edited and with an introduction by Dagobert D. Runes (Philosophical Library, 51 pp., \$2.75)—the first English translation of the original German text; a shocking revelation of the twisted mind which has inspired Communism to this very day; a sober warning to those who would coddle the Communists.

THE PRIMARY LEADERSHIP MANUAL by LaVerne Ashby and Doris Monroe (Convention Press, 154 pp., \$2.00)—guidance for Training Union leaders who work with ages 6, 7, and 8; help in changing this Sunday evening hour from a baby-sitting period to a meaningful experience for the children.

THE 7 DAYS OR PORTENTS OF DESTINY by Everett Clanton (Vantage, 139 pp., \$3.00)—a book which begins with the statement, "The author of this work is an amateur in the field of writing . . ." a statement that becomes more obvious as he proceeds to draw all kinds of imaginative conclusions from prophetic passages of the Bible and ends up with a chart of human history which would hardly be accepted by sounder scholars.

PAUL AND THE INTELLECTUALS, THE EPISTLE TO THE COLOSSIANS by A. T. Robertson (Broadman, 145 pp., \$2.75)—an old book by the greatest New Testament scholar Southern Baptists ever produced, newly revised by W. C. Strickland of Southeastern Seminary; a classic which should be on the shelves of any person hoping to understand Colossians.



TURIN, ITALY—Italian Baptists welcome a group of Mississippi Baptists assigned to work in the area during the simultaneous evangelism crusade in Spain and Italy. Left to right, front row: an Italian deacon, Rev. Clifton Perkins of West Point, Dr. Joe T. Odle of Jackson, Pastor Carmelo Mollicca of Turin, Italy; Pastor Tullio Saccomani of Colognola, Italy; Rev. Clarence Outrell of Biloxi; Paul Nunnery of Hollandale; Rev. Frank Campbell of Jackson; and Italian deacon; Professor Dorio Bertrando of the Seminary, Rivoli, Italy. Second row: a deacon, Pastor Bruno Saccomani of First Church, Turin, Italy; Missionary Albert Craighead, Rivoli, Italy; and three Italian deacons.



THE CONGREGATION OF THE RIVOLI BAPTIST CHURCH, Rivoli, Italy. Rev. Clifton Perkins of West Point preached here during the evangelism crusade.

The Valencia Faithful

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encia; Turis, First Church Mission, and again at First Church. On Sunday night I was taken to Valencia, First Baptist Church to preach my first sermon through an interpreter to more than 300 people. The greatest joy of the week followed as eight people responded to the invitation to accept Christ as Lord and Saviour. In a meeting with them afterward I was to learn that among them there were six adults and two intermediates. One lady was 63 and one man 60. Another lady had been coming to the church for five years and that night decided for Christ. There were two sisters who had been coming for only a few months. All the week was worth the effort just to see these added to the Kingdom.

Sealed Doors

At Denia and the Second Church we met in the pastor's home and the home of a deacon. Authorities stopped the construction of their building at Denia four years ago and have not permitted any further work. They closed the Second Church and sealed the doors. However, there two groups carry on their services crowding into rooms of the homes. The Mission of Valencia's First Church meets in a home carved out of a rock. It was an inspiration indeed to worship with and speak to groups like these who are laboring amid difficulties we know but little about.

The genuine friendliness and abounding appreciativeness of the people of the Baptist churches in Spain will live in my memory. A spirit that grows out of the meaningfulness of their Christian faith is one of New Testament Character. They are aware of the difficulties under which they labor and the opposition which they must face but they are not cast down by it all. They are holding the banner of Christ high in their land. What a joy it was to share their fellowship for a week.

Greater Support

Our missionaries deserve the best support we can give them in continued prayers and increased gifts through the Cooperative Program. We must not let them down.

The church at Turis is a beautiful new construction—built with Lottie Moon gifts. The people of that church have won so many of the people on their street that it is now called Protestant Street.

Characteristic of their faithfulness was the testimony of an old, retired preacher, who said, "I've been put in jail several times but when I got out I preached again and I'm still preaching." Faithful amid difficulties!

In An Upper Room

By Maurice Clayton, Tunica

A long-awaited preaching mission in Spain has become history but not forgotten. My wife and I will never be the same concerning missions. We were concerned, but now we are intelligently concerned. Our preaching itinerary began on June 22 at Lorca.

The night before, we visited in Elche and had wonderful fellowship with the faithful group of Baptists in that city. The church building is now closed, both front and back doors, with padlocks and government seals. The people meet for worship in a small upper room in the back. It was in this city that the Roman dogma of the assumption of Mary was begun. Opposition here is very strong against Baptists.

Lorca is also a difficult situation. The meeting house is a small upstairs room with room for about 25 people. The music was wonderful as the faithful, minority group of Baptists met to hear an American preacher. A layman presided because the pastor was working in another city. There were several rededications at the close of the service.

The following night we preached in Marica. They also had a small room in a house for a church building.

Pastor Ex-Communist

The last two nights, Thursday and Friday, were spent in Cartagena. This is a beautiful seaport city on the east coast of Spain. We had good fellowship with Mr. Amat, the pastor. He is a very sincere and capable preacher. He was ordained June 28, 1958. Mr. Amat was a Communist for 15 years and a prisoner for five years. He has a stirring testimony for Christ. He was saved through reading a New Testament.

On Thursday night while I was preaching, two men stood and each said, "I'll take Christ now." One of the men was a prisoner who had been in the prison for five years.

As we return to our people in Tunica, we will have life-long memories of distant friends in Spain.

We may never see Spanish Baptists again, but in their words, "If we never see you again, we will see you in heaven."

Believers At Valencia

By James Hurt, Cleveland

Preaching a week in six of our Baptist churches in the area of beautiful Valencia, Spain, I observed dedication and consecration to the Lord and His work which I did not know existed.

My first preaching assignment was in the Baptist church in Jativa (the hometown of two past Popes, of which the Baptist do not especially brag). I arrived after the service had begun and they were observing the Lord's Supper. The little church was located on the third floor of an old building on the other side of nowhere but was filled to capacity (125 people). The order of service was very similar to ours. They had an excellent choir and director that would be a credit to any of our churches. The people seemed so thrilled because of the interest shown in them and their work. Although I could not understand a word they spoke, it was easy to understand their hearts.

After greeting all the people with a warm handshake at the end of the service, they showed me around town and took me to see their new church building under construction. This is the only church building that I saw in Spain that looked like a church. (They are not supposed to make them look like churches). In order to construct this one they got permission to build a store. Upon observation of some of the Catholics (especially the priest, that the building was looking like a church) the work has been temporarily stopped, however, they are planning to have the building completed in about 3 months. The building consists of a sanctuary and an adequate educational building.

Late Services

Other towns where I preached during the week were Carlet, Turis, Alcantara and Sumacarcel. New experiences awaited me as to the preaching hour. The people worked from daylight until 9:30 at night, therefore, preaching services did not begin until 10:30 each evening. When I got up to preach each night it was 10:45. It was thrilling to see people filling the little church buildings at this time of night with the love of Christ written on their faces. The services lasted an hour and the amazing thing was nobody went to sleep.

Tuesday evening, at Carlet, with 120 people present, a professional football player (seeker to us) stood up, accepting Christ as his Saviour. His wife, who is not a Christian, and who had been giving him a rough time for attending the church services, was also present. She was deeply touched by his decision and our prayer is that she will soon come to know Christ as her Saviour.

Many Tears

At Turis a little church with a beautiful new building



DR. JOE T. ODLE of Jackson (center) preaching in the First Baptist Church of Turin, Italy with Missionary Albert Craighead interpreting. Left, Pastor C. Mollica of the Via Viterbo church, Turin.

and 60 members there were three who accepted Christ, two girls about 18 years old and a man about 45 years old. There were more tears of joy shed that night by the members of this church when these made their decision than I've seen elsewhere in my entire preaching ministry.

The churches at Alcantara and Sumacarcel were the smallest in size but not in dedication and spirit. Over and over they expressed appreciation, saying thank your church for sending you and please remember to continue to pray for us. One woman at the Sumacarcel Church (about 25 members) with tears in her eyes as I left said, "Please you and all your group don't forget to pray for our little church."

I found in these small churches in Spain, lives totally dedicated to the cause of Christ. I'm certain their devotion has come because of the persecution they have suffered but through their suffering they have become rich in faith and consecration.

In The Barcelona Area

By C. O. Lindsey, Union

Arrived in Spain, Friday night, June 19. Met with one of our Southern Baptist missionaries, Gerald McNeely. Received assignments for the week's activities for the Barcelona area.

Sunday, June 21—Morning services at Barcelona Second Baptist Church. Services beginning at 12:00 a.m. with about 100 people present. Rev. Luis Hombree, native pastor. For Sunday night services back with the same church, preaching beginning at 6:30 with a good service, wonderful spirit and about 100 people. I was very impressed with the devotion of age and 2 ladies about 40 years of age. My interpreter was Mr. Adolfo Munso, a successful business man in Barcelona. He can speak 4 languages fluently. He is well known to Baptist around the world. He was one of the speakers at the World Youth meeting in Toronto, Canada in 1958.

14 Decisions

Monday, June 22—Vilafranca, Spain—About 30 miles out of Barcelona. Services, beginning at 10:00 p.m. with about 150 people present. 2 professions of faith and 12 rededications. Church is served by a native pastor. The people showed a great deal of interest in the Lord's work and we felt that the Lord was glorified in this service.

Tuesday, June 23, Granollers, Spain—About 25 miles out of Barcelona. Services beginning at 9:30 p.m. with about 100 people present, good singing and a good spirit with no visible results. Rev. Bonet, one of the native pastors as interpreter.

Wednesday, June 24, Sabadell, Spain—First Baptist Church with services beginning at 6:30 p.m. and a very good attendance of about 100 people. This is a good church, self-supporting with a native pastor; however the pastor was away interpreting for a member of our team. The spirit was very good, the people very cordial. No visible results.

Thursday, June 25, Tarrasa, Spain—About 40 miles from Barcelona. One of the oldest Baptist Churches in Spain with the interior being very nice. A native pastor lived in the same building. I enjoyed an evening meal with him. There were about 100 present for the services, special music with a wonderful spirit. No visible results.

On Bicycles

Friday night, June 26 in Manresa, Spain about 75 miles from Barcelona with Rev. Charles W. Whitten, one of our Southern Baptist missionaries to Spain, acting as interpreter. Dr. Al Collins gave greetings and a testimony. Services beginning at 10:00 p.m. We were impressed with the good singing and fine spirit of which the people united in the service. They were very interested in the Lord's work. Many of those present had to put forth a special effort to come to the services having to travel 4 or 5 miles distance on bicycle or walking to attend the services.

To be a Baptist in Spain is not easy. Every Baptist in Spain must put forth a special effort by taking ridicule, criticism and sometimes even going to prison. We found the people to be very enthusiastic with a great deal of faith and willingness to give of their all in this great business.

Padlocks In Madrid

By Dr. Russell Bush, Jr., Columbia

It was my privilege and joy to work with the three Baptist churches of Madrid, Spain. Two of these churches have been closed with government seals across the doors. Yet these two congregations continue to worship in small groups in the home of the pastor of the Second Baptist Church. They come together once a week to worship in the one remaining open church in Madrid. Pastor Jose Munez of the Second Baptist Church is a wonderful Christian. His

loyalty and faithfulness to Christ is a great inspiration to all who meet him. He has been under arrest for more than a year now. Though he is not confined, he must report to the police every 15 days.

We worshipped with the closed churches in his home, which is an apartment above the closed building. The room could comfortably seat 20 people, but nearly 50 people came when we spoke. To speak to people of the love of Jesus and see them wash their faces with their tears was a moving experience. When asked if they were sure of their salvation there was immediate response. One by one and many in unison exclaimed, "Yes, I am sure!" This type of thing must be experienced, it cannot be adequately told.

Eager Acceptance

Lack of space demands I move on to the First Baptist Church. As to faithfulness, radiant Christian personalities we could say ditto to the foregoing statements. Perhaps my most thrilling experience came the first night I spoke here. A man came into the church for the first time. When I finished explaining God's Plan of Salvation, he jumped to his feet saying, I want to accept Jesus as my Saviour right now. Juan Luis Aodrigas, the pastor, exclaimed, "God works in mysterious ways, an American travels many thousands of miles, a man in Spain hears gospel and is saved."

I cannot close without telling of the organist of the First Baptist Church. He is also a light shining in a dark place. While in the Army, he was compelled to go to mass with many thousands of soldiers. They were all commanded to kneel before the image of Mary, the mother of Jesus. He, alone, refused. Here is the story of a twentieth century Shadrack, Meschack, or Abednego!

Last but not least—Praise God for Charles and Nella Dean Whitten, our Southern Baptist missionaries. There has never been a more faithful couple completely devoted to the cause of Jesus Christ—we love them and I know that our Lord does.

Persecution In Spain

By Mrs. Russell Bush, Jr., Columbia

To tell in a few words about a life-changing experience is difficult. My week among magnificent Christians in Madrid, Spain was such an experience. Many things impressed me about them. Their singing was superb. Their testimonies, thrilling. For simply giving a religious tract to a lost man, one was jailed for 15 days. Another who held a government position lost his job and most of his friends because he was a Baptist. Children are called 'atheist' by their schoolmates, but respond with a witness for Jesus. Economic and social pressures are exerted on every Baptist by Catholic priests and people. Yet in His own way, God is calling together a 'first-century' band of Christians to be a beacon-light in a lost country.

One other impression. A week with our missionaries, Charles and Nella Dean Whitten, was truly an inspiration. This caused me to realize anew that God has His workers where He needs them, and through them His purposes are being accomplished.

On The Spanish Riviera

By Alvin O. Collins, Booneville

During the week it was my privilege to have fellowship with the Baptists of extreme northeastern Spain, the Costa Brava, or Spanish Riviera. This region, parts of old Catalonia, has its own dialect and folkways and as such, is distinctly different from the rest of Spain.

Sunday I spoke to the men's group of First Baptist Church, Barcelona, which corresponds to our Brotherhood. They were anxious for suggestions to improve their activities in the church as laymen, and reported on certain projects now underway. It was my privilege on Sunday evening to preach to the fine congregation of First Baptist Church, Barcelona, where the congregation was most responsive.

Among The Pueblos

Most of my time was spent in the pueblos (small towns) north of Barcelona. Travelling with me were our Southern Baptist missionary, Russell Hilliard, and my interpreter, Harold Kregel.

Figueros is a small town a few miles south of the Costa Brava. It was here in Figueras that a Swedish Baptist, Eric Lund, established the First Baptist Church in Spain in 1881. The church has suffered much through the years, and still is meeting in the original building. Old signs telling of Sunday School and worship services have been made practically illegible by being painted over. And across the door of the church still appears painted letters over 10 years old placed by a priest-inspired mob. The splashed sign still demands, "VIVA EL PAPA" (Long live the pope). In spite of past and present persecution the church grows slowly and is now building a new place of worship.

Fishing Fleet

On Tuesday, we visited the quaint fishing village of La Escala (population 2,500). The service was at 9:30 p.m. and the congregation of 15 was inspiring. It was a Roman Catholic-state holiday, St. John's Eve, and during the services bonfires burned in the streets and the service was interrupted by noise of fireworks. At dusk, the fishing fleet going out to sea presented an "old world" experience never-to-be-forgotten and several fishermen expressed their regrets to the pastor that they would miss the service.

The Baptist church in Girona is new, only a few months old, and is situated in a strong Roman Catholic center. A young seminary graduate, Lorenzo Juan, has just moved on the field with his family—and is enlisting many to attend services in this difficult place. For some, this was the first time to attend an evangelical church when I spoke on Wednesday evening.

Resort Center

On Thursday, I preached at Palamas, a very popular resort town on the blue Mediterranean. Though the local folk festival was in progress, the crowd of 30 was my largest (Continued on Page Seven)

Pages From The Past

By J. L. Boyd, Sr.

50 YEARS AGO

The Raymond Church, Hinds County, dedicated their new church house third Sunday in June with Dr. B. D. Gray of Home Mission Board preaching the sermon. History of the church was written and read by Captain W. T. Ratliff. This new building costing \$1450 had been built during the pastorate of Rev. J. D. Franks to replace a house that had been destroyed by a cyclone.

Pastor W. B. Sansing of Forest tells of a good meeting in the First Baptist Church resulting in thirteen accessions, nine of them by baptism. Preacher during the meeting was Rev. J. P. Culpepper of Newton.

40 Years Ago

The Raymond Church closed a successful revival meeting in which Pastor G. H. Suttle was assisted by Rev. W. E. Farr of Gloster resulting in twenty-seven additions, twenty of them by experience and baptism.

Pastor J. R. G. Hewlett reports a community-wide revival in the Water Valley Baptist Church with Evangelist F. A. Bower of N. C. as preacher, Singer R. L. Cooper of Aberdeen, Miss., leader of choir. Results: 38 additions to the church, 28 of them for baptism.

The Davis Memorial (Crestwood) Baptist Church, Jackson, organized a Y. W. A. on April 1, 1919 with eleven charter members. Mrs. L. H. Yarbrough, Counselor, reporting.

25 YEARS AGO

One of the first Young Peoples Revivals in Mississippi in the First Church, Oxford, June 4-10, 1934, Frank Moody Purser, Pastor. The revival services were in charge of John Moore, Tupelo; Clara Brashears, Gunnison; Leo, Green, Tupelo; Edward Yarbrough, Tylertown; sponsored by the Baptist Young People of Oxford. Gertrude T. Belk, reporting.

How's this one? Crawford: "So you can't understand why your boy in college flunked in all the foreign languages?" Crabshaw: "No, it's a mystery to me. He picked up all the college yells in no time."

VACATION FOR CHILDREN

How would you like to be in charge of making plans for 175 children to get off on vacation? It may be that you have not extended an invitation for one or more of these children to be your guests, but it may be that you would like to have a part in getting them ready.

To help get them ready we can use a number of suit cases and many changes of clothing. Perhaps you would like to send a cash offering to assist the Orphanage personnel in seeing that all things are ready. Just send your offering and mark it VACATION.

W. G. Mize, Supt.
Baptist Orphanage
Jackson, Miss.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSSB)

—Two Sunday School Board photographers received awards at the Tennessee Professional Photographers Convention held here recently. Out of twelve categories, Bryce Finch won three first place awards and one third place. Robert Jackson received one first place award and one third place award.



THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING of the Italian Baptist Theological Seminary, Rivoli. Up until recently Dr. Ben Lawton has served as president of the institution.

On The Spanish Riviera

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of the week outside Barcelona. The young pastor, Floriano Bofarull, had brought several visitors to hear the gospel for the first time. The church rents part of a dwelling for its services, but hopes to be able to build in a new location. Also, one of the oldest churches established by the Swedes in the 1880's, its growth has been difficult. Ramon Jarcia, a young man of 18 who became a Christian recently and is awaiting baptism, is the great-grandson of the first Baptist convert in Palamas.

It was a real joy to work with these few Baptists in these small pueblos, and though their numerical growth is small, their consecration is deep—and they take great pride in the leadership they are contributing to the churches in the larger cities. Their example of consecration will be forever an inspiration to me.

Spain. U. S. Farmers Talk

By John Allen Collier, Leland

Third Church at Barcelona—The church ordered closed by the police, church was continued in members' homes. A couple devoted to the progress of the Lord's work gave the church their apartment and moved into the old church building with their large family—partitions were taken out and an even larger church was then available. The couple had to cook in the present church building and transfer to their living quarters around the block. Such church devotion is unfathomable to us but is the order of the day in Spain. People love the Lord when they give up this much for Him—could picture myself coming in tired from work dragging the kids a block for supper and carrying them back to bed, couldn't you?

The little building was filled for the 9:30 p. m. services with their 30 members. Such singing, such attention such devotion must really warm our Master's heart, for it certainly filled mine to the overflowing.

One profession of faith was made here tonight. Sinoufo Diez is the assistant pastor. The pastor of the Second Church is at the present the pastor here also.

There is a pressing need for trained young pastors—God fearing but fearless.

Vicinity of Valencia

Church at Turis about 40 miles out of Valencia, Spain—This is strictly a rural area of 4000 people. The pastor, Senor Adolfo de Silva, has a membership of 54. This beautiful new church with pasturium over the sanctuary was largely designed by the pastor who was studying architecture when called to the ministry. There were some outstanding features in this beautiful building. The pulpit was of modernistic design. The old organ was rebuilt from a rat-eaten instrument to a beautifully cased instrument in keeping with style of the furniture. Many of the members helped in the building and decorating this building. From their wages a wire recorder was purchased for the energetic, enthusiastic, young, fiery pastor. Here is a type of the men who are leading the churches of Spain.

With ambition and dedication of men such as de Silva, the Lords work can only make progress of great import. We were shown plans of national scope for the evangelizing of Spain in the next five years. Such determination must not be minimized.

Reaching Turis at 6 p. m., we were hurried to the fertile, small irrigated farms where the farm labor is all by hand with the exception of an occasional horse. Wheat was being harvested with sickles, and bound into sheaves for the old-fashioned threshing floor. Alfalfa of profuse growth was cut by squatting men who lay each stem in the same direction, this was all done in late afternoon and early morning to save every precious leaf. The 1/10 acre patches were diversified from wheat, alfalfa, vegetables, to fruit trees. Each foot was intensively cultivated; the very terraces and paths had fruit trees or grape vines.

Protest and Street

This rugged people hewed a living out of the dry rolling soil with a hoe-like mattock with a short handle. I was the curious to know why the short handle and was informed that the bent back put you close to your work, making it less difficult using the last ray of daylight. These thirty people left the fields at 9 p. m. to join their wives, who had been waiting for them on the narrow streets doing needle work, for a hasty meal, then to church for 10 p. m. services. The street named Monino had been changed to the street of the Protestants, quite a testimony for the evangelistic spirit of the people.

Dr. Quarles and I ate with the de Silvas, a wonderfully served meal of four courses: soup, then an ensalada, (potato salad with tuna, olives, pimiento pepper and eggs). Of course I thought this was all the meal for this frugal people, but no, here came meat and string beans, the beans garnished with huge portions of olive oil. I was asked if I had any sheep on my farm. I informed them that I had but that I personally did not eat the mutton. The good wife said, "you have just finished your second helping of mutton." My foot was in my mouth, so I replied, "My wife could never cook it this good." Dessert was served and we rushed off to the services.

Attentive Audience

There were the hard-working farmers all clean and eager for the worship. One I had met had worked two days and a night without rest, now was at services beginning at 10 last night until 12. I watched the fellow. He did not even nod.

Such spirit and interest I have seldom seen in my experience—tears, smiles, concern were mingled throughout the service. Singing only as a people purified by trial, can sing lifted me to higher planes than I have found. God will not permit such faith and determination to be snuffed out. My prediction is for Spanish Baptists to move forward in the next five years.

The service closed but the farming people wanted to talk to another farmer, discuss problems, talk about prices and yields. Finally after 12 p. m. de Silva made them go home so that they would be able to work on the morrow.

Closed Doors In S. Spain

By J. William Harbin, New Albany

It was my privilege to spend a week among some of the Baptist people in Southern Spain. During this glorious week I preached in three important cities.

My first visit was to the Baptist church in Sevilla. Here I found a courageous band of Baptists, with a "closed church." From my small bedroom window on the second floor I could look below and see a beautiful place of worship built by Southern Baptists in 1956. But at four o'clock in the afternoon I took a taxi with the pastor and his family and drove several miles away to a Presbyterian church for a worship service at 4:30, a hot and inconvenient time for a service. My heart throbbed with "spiritual pain" as I observed the three seals on the church doors before we got in the taxi. But in spite of the fact that fifty Baptist people walked several miles to attend the service, the Lord was there in a gracious way and a young man surrendered his heart to Christ.

Back Room

On the following night thirty-five people crowded into a small hot room back at the Baptist church. Because the pastor is a friend of the police the authorities have not closed



PASTOR BRUNO SACCOMANI, speaking in the First Baptist Church, via Passalacqua, 12, Turin, Italy. He is also Secretary of Evangelism for Italian Baptists.

this Sunday School room. But the room is too small for a regular worship service.

Our next visit was to Jerez, south of Sevilla. Here I found a wealthy mother and two daughters who had opened part of their house to a group of Baptist believers as a place of worship. The room is small, but an old pump organ and the home-made pews are conducive to worship. These people want a church building but the authorities will not permit it under any circumstances. Never will I forget the days I spent among these friendly and Bible-loving people of Jerez.

From Jerez we went to Malaga, a coastal city. Several months ago the police came to the church and closed and locked the doors where the people worshipped. The authorities, also prohibited the people from completing their auditorium which was under construction. But the pastor, Rev. Jose Garcia, found a key and opened the doors to the small assembly room in the basement and the people are worshipping there every Sunday, never knowing when the authorities may return and close the church with seals on the doors.

Conversions

I saw ten adults make glorious professions of faith during the services at Malaga. Some were past seventy years of age. I saw men and women weep with joy as God's Spirit came down with victorious power.

My interpreter during the week was the consecrated pastor of the Sevilla Church, Rev. Jose Luis Barba. He built a short wave radio, and learned English over the British Broadcasting Company. He is working in the midst of difficult situations but has a remarkable faith and courageous spirit. He shall continually be on my prayer list.

Spain is a Catholic-dominated country, and yet only two per cent of the Catholics ever go to Mass. The people are hungry for spiritual food and Baptists will continue to preach and suffer in Spain.

Our unceasing prayers in America must accompany their efforts.

Roman Catholic Threat

By N. F. Davis, Jr., Aberdeen

About five minutes after we arrived in Madrid the morning worship hour was over and we were met by the congregation. They acted as though they had known us for years. Joy and enthusiasm greeted us. I was immediately made to feel that I was among friends, which proved even more true as the week progressed. After a brief period of fellowship we went to the hotel where reservations had been made for me. We weaved our way through the narrow streets of Albacete into the heart of a city of some 75,000 population and finally arrived at our hotel. After checking in and a word or two from the pastor I went to my room. For a few moments I never felt so alone. Not a single person in the hotel could speak English and I could do no better with Spanish. The pastor, who was to serve as my interpreter for the week had gone and I did not even have his address.

About 4:30 p. m. the pastor returned for me and we walked to his apartment about three-fourths of a mile from the hotel. As we walked we talked of the week ahead. For me the week ahead was one of wonder, awe, fear and anticipation. I wondered what it would be like, I was deeply conscious of the responsibility and privilege upon me, I was fearful of doing or saying something that would cause greater persecution for my Christian friends in Spain, and I was filled with anticipation of the experience that lay ahead.

Pastor's Home

At the pastor's home I found a modest, but warm, friendly atmosphere and surroundings, a lovely wife and four children, the oldest of which was near 7, and the pastor's father and mother. I was immediately made to feel a part of the family. Over some wonderful tea and cookies the pastor and I continued talking about plans for the week. The service would begin at 8 p. m.

The church in Albacete would not be recognized to be a church. In fact none of the non-Catholic churches in Spain resembled churches. It is against the law to make any kind of demonstration or appearance that might cause the masses to think any way except as the Roman Catholic priests want them to think.

I was greatly surprised as I walked into the pulpit for my first service on Sunday night. The auditorium was filled with eager worshippers, the organ (foot pump type) was giving forth beautiful and worshipful music. The people were quiet and reverent. I observed no talking among the people except as they bowed their heads to pray during the prelude. After a song and prayer and another song, the pastor presented me for my message.

No Invitations

The pastor had advised me ahead of time that I should expect no visible response to invitations. There are several reasons for this. One is that people in Spain do not use the invitation as we do. Another, and the main reason, is the tremendous fear in the hearts of the people.

Most of the people in the church are laboring people. Many of them work 18 hours per day to get enough money to buy the necessary food for their families. And if it became known that they are Baptist or attending the Baptist worship services they will probably lose their jobs. Many

are believers who have not openly confessed Christ because of this fear. At the insistence of the Roman Catholic priest the police are constantly checking the membership of the church to see if it is growing. They do not mind so much a status quo but cannot stand to see progress. Never have I been so grateful for the religious freedom we enjoy in the U. S. A. and never before have I seen the danger and the horrors of becoming dominated by the Roman Catholic Church. The very freedom they demand in the U. S. A. they are denying our Spanish brethren in Spain. It seems to me a far cry from the Spirit of Christ, whom they say they worship. To demand a right for yourself that you will not give the other person to me is mighty cheap Christianity, and that is the situation now prevailing all over Spain.

Much Walking

I remained in Albacete all week and preached in the Albacete Church through Thursday night. I had the privilege of being in many homes. There was no person in the church, with a membership of 88, who owned a car. So we walked. We walked all over the city of 75,000 people. Some three miles from the church we went through a door from the street to find six families living in a very small house of six apartments. Another with eight families using the same plumbing. An old lady, who washes for a living, occupies a two-room apartment with her sick husband. She was thrilled that I would come to her home.

Friday afternoon at 4:30 we left Albacete by car for Patra, about 25 miles away, where one of the missions of the Albacete Church is located. To meet us was a laborer who works in the field from 6 a. m. till 8 p. m. for \$2 per day, and happy to have such work, even though it lasts only three months in the year. This old gentleman had missed his work all day as he waited for us to come. Here was a group of some 12 Baptists bubbling with joy and happiness. My life cannot be the same after meeting these loyal Christians. We greeted them and had prayer and on to Ontur, another mission station, some 40 miles from Albacete. We were met by a man coming from the field. In a few moments it was like an old time family reunion. Never have I observed such evidence of Christian joy, faith, love, and enthusiasm. We were shown into the home of a newly-wed couple, a couple who had to go to Albacete 40 miles away, to get married because the priests would not let the civil authorities grant permission for the couple to marry. Another young man here at Ontur has been waiting now seven months and still no word on his application for permission to marry.

Service In Attic

Our service there was in the attic of the home of these newly-weds. They have prepared a small chapel that seats some 30 people in their attic. We had 20 for the service.

We returned to Madrid about 11:30 p. m. and my heart was happy and sad. Happy because of the joy and inspiration these Christians had given me. Sad because of how shamefully little we do in Aberdeen compared to the Christians in Spain. And also sad because of the trends of lethargy our people of the U. S. A. show toward the inroads Roman Catholicism is making in their efforts to control our country as they now control Spain.

Other things I might have written but these words are given that those who read might know of the dangers of Roman Catholicism.

Here's A Chance To 'Learn How'

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BSSB)—

Pastors and ministers of education will be well provided with church administration and public relations "how-to-do-it" information at Ridgecrest and Glorieta Baptist assemblies according to plans now being perfected by Howard B. Foshee.

The church administration department of the Baptist Sunday School Board, with Foshee as secretary, has planned for conferences on working with church committees, personnel supervision, maintaining accurate office and financial records, visiting and developing church officers, guiding a functioning church council, and the production of the weekly church paper, and understanding Baptist polity.

Separate Workshops

Separate workshops in other areas of church administration will be provided for church and pastor's secretaries, financial

One Baptism For Every Ten in Italy

ROME, Italy (BWA)—Italian

Baptists had one new baptism for every ten members in 1958. Dr. Ben R. Lawton says that the growth of Baptist work in Italy has been in steady increase during the past five years. Five years ago there were 128 baptisms; the next year, 182; then 224 and 299; and last year, 405 baptisms.

Interpreted in terms of per capita ratio, five years ago there was one baptism for every 28 Baptists, the next year it was one for every 21, then one for sixteen, one for thirteen, and last year, one for ten. Membership in Italy has doubled since the end of World War I, growing from 2,200 to 4,385.

secretaries, business administrators, and deacons.

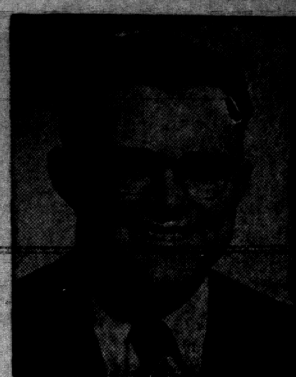
Conference dates are: August 6-12 at Glorieta Baptist Assembly, Glorieta, N. M., and August 20-26 at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, Ridgecrest, N. C.

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E. Stanley Williamson

Heads Visual Aids Department

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BSSB)—E. Stanley Williamson has been elected secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board's Audio-Visual Aids Department, effective July 1.

Dr. Williamson, now superintendent of associational promotion in the Board's Sunday School Department, succeeds Earl Waldrup who resigned recently to become pastor of Northeast Church, Miami, Fla.

Dr. Williamson, an ordained minister, is a graduate of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, with Master's and Doctor's degrees in Religious Education. A native of Motmana, he has served as minister of education and music in First Baptist Church, Cullendale, Ark., B. H. Carroll Memorial Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Tex., and minister of education in Fordyce, Ark., Poplar Avenue Baptist Church, Memphis, Tenn., and Trinity Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Okla.

George Harold Ezell

New MC Prof Is Announced

Dr. R. A. McMemore, president of Mississippi College, announces the appointment of George Harold Ezell as assistant professor of education at the college.

Ezell, a 1955 graduate of Mississippi College, will begin his teaching duties in September. He is married to the former Anna Louis Ferrell, also a graduate of Mississippi College.

A graduate of Greenwood High School, Ezell received his master of science degree with a major in chemistry from Florida State University in 1957. Since that time he has been employed as a physical chemist with the Florida Citrus Commission working with the University of Florida Citrus Experiment Station in Lake Alfred, Fla.

Statue of Christ Reported 'Bleeding'

ROME (RNS)—A statue of Christ in the ancient village of Atripalide, located in the Abruzzi region of Central Italy, has twice shown signs of bleeding in the hands, feet and side, according to reports received here.

The alleged miraculous event has attracted crowds of Roman Catholic pilgrims from nearby areas. However, ecclesiastical authorities have so far declined to make any official comment on the matter.

Tennessee Votes to Aid Montana Work

NASHVILLE—(BP)—Tennessee Baptist Convention's executive board voted here to aid Southern Baptist work in Montana from money received in its state missions offering Oct. 25.

At the June session, the board also assigned to its three hospital administrators and executive secretary the working out of details for group insurance for pastors and employees of Tennessee Baptist churches.

Sunday Reports

Sunday School Attendance
Training Union Attendance
Additions To The Church

By Dr. L. Bracey Campbell

DEUTERONOMY

INTRODUCTION. Moses the Meek! Moses the mighty! Moses the Magnificent! In my humble judgment, the greatest man who had lived anywhere in the world from the dawn of creation until Moses' day.

Moses had stood in the flaming presence of the Almighty and had heard of the Almighty's voice speak out of a flaming bush to say, "Take off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the ground whereon thou standest is holy."

Moses had stood with a lone companion in the court of the greatest capitol city and had looked level into the face of the greatest monarch in the world and had commanded that monarch in the name of the God of what that monarch regarded as a despised and degraded race of slaves.

In the power of that God, Moses had humbled the might of the mighty Pharaoh and led the slaves out of the land of bondage. Time would fail me to tell of Moses' forty days on the mountain top with God, of Moses' bringing God's commandments down, of Moses' forty years of wandering with God's chosen people, till all the cowards of the fearful generation were dead, and a new generation of desert-born and bred men inured to hardship and danger had grown up, of Moses' first and last look at the land he had so deeply desired to enter.

Now Moses the massive is near Nebo, his rugged grave-stone. It is nigh the close of the second millennium before Christ. In this lesson Moses is preparing his people for his home-going.

I. THE INEVITABLE CHOICE. "I have set before thee this day life and good, and death and evil." These words were said to one small nation of people: these words set the choice before all people of every tribe and tongue and nation. There is not a child so obscure in your neighborhood, village, town, city, but to that child this statement has application. From the fateful hour in the garden, when the serpent tempted Adam, "Where art thou, Adam?" on down the shimmering current of the River of Time, that question, with its inevitable urgency and clear meaning has, in one or another form, been challenging to the attention of every man and woman born into the world.

Each day-dawn brings the necessity for decision anew. "This day!" "I have this day set before thee Life and the good, and death and the evil." Which will you choose, O brother mine, O sister of my sorrows? Knowingly rightly, choose the good way, the living way, the Lord's way, the way of life, and that choice stands you up under the banner of the blessed. That choice makes your cause common with that all the good and godly and just and brave have dreamed and held since man was man. Knowingly wrongly chosen and shades of sorrow darken more or less gradually into rayless night, until hapless feet stumble on the dark mountain and gross darkness becomes everlasting death.

Choose ye this day God's way of life and walk in it.

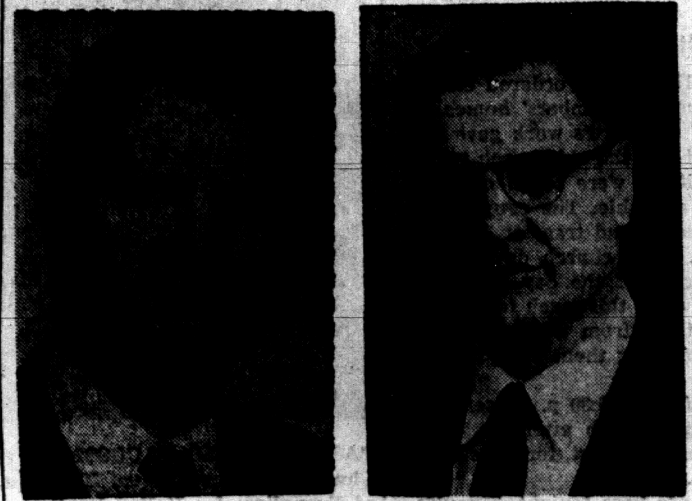
II. SUCCESSORS OF THE STRONG. "Moses called unto Joshua." So the wise leader trains one to take his place when he is no more. There must always be this law of succession everywhere and in everything where progress is to be maintained, I mind a simple old country deacon who carried on for years in a little country place and saw God's work grow slowly there while there grew to manhood a fine, strong son to carry on his work when the old man fell asleep.

Walter Scott describes the process in his account of a battle between Scotsmen of the olden time: "The sturdy spear-men still make good their dark impenetrable wood, each stepping where his comrade stood the instant that he fell." So

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Top Speakers Featured At Brotherhood Encampment



Chester L. Quarles

J. Clark Hensley

Shown above is Dr. Chester Quarles, Executive Secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, who will bring the message at the opening session of the Brotherhood Encampment at Kittiwake, on July 10. Dr. Quarles has just returned from Europe where he visited the Holy Land, assisted in simultaneous revivals in Spain and Italy, and visited our mission work there. Dr. J. Clark Hensley, Superintendent of Missions in the Hinds Baptist Association, will be the Encampment Pastor.

The program for the Encampment is as follows:

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

3:30 Registration
6:00 Supper

FRIDAY EVENING

6:45 Scripture and Prayer O. H. Barnett
7:00 Leadership Discussions
Local Brotherhood Officers Fred Forester
Associational Brotherhood Officers H. M. Thompson
Royal Ambassador Leadership Lee Ferrell

8:00 Free Time
8:15 "Men and Missions" Chester L. Quarles

SATURDAY MORNING

7:00 Breakfast
7:30 Fresh Up, Rest Up
8:00 Leadership Discussions
Local Brotherhood Officers Fred Forester
Associational Brotherhood Officers H. M. Thompson
Royal Ambassador Leadership Lee Ferrell

8:30 Free Time
8:05 Leadership Discussions
Local Brotherhood Officers Fred Forester
Associational Brotherhood Officers H. M. Thompson
Royal Ambassador Leadership Lee Ferrell

10:00 Shop Talk
11:00 Free Time
11:10 "Men and The Church Program" George W. Schroeder
12:00 Lunch

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Recreation

SATURDAY EVENING

8:00 Supper
6:45 Scripture and Prayer Grayson Ellzey
7:00 Leadership Discussions
Local Brotherhood Officers Fred Forester
Associational Brotherhood Officers H. M. Thompson
Royal Ambassador Leadership Lee Ferrell

8:00 Free Time
8:15 "Men and The Soul-Winning Crusade" Landrum Leavell

SUNDAY MORNING

8:00 Breakfast
10:00 Sunday School O. B. Anderson
11:00 Preaching Service J. Clark Hensley
12:00 Lunch

In all God's work there must be someone to take the place of those whose strong hands fail.

III. THE COMMAND TO TEACH: THE COMMAND TO LEARN. "Thou shalt read this law before all Israel in their hearing."

1. The law. To Israel this meant the commandments and statutes and judgments contained in the law of Moses, the Pentateuch, the Old Testament scriptures. Those writings were all those ancient people had, and they were a great deal, believe me! A strict and continuous study of those precious O. T. lines and precepts, and, as I believe, the Lord would lead the student close to Himself through an exercise of faith in the Messiah such as Abraham had.

2. The law. To use of the new dispensation, these words mean the Bible, all of it. This is the greatest store of knowledge and wisdom ever revealed by the Lord to inquiring man. Upon the teachings of this Book is to be founded the only civilization that can or should endure. But it is not to be the possession of the few, this knowledge of the Book. It is to be taught to the little ones in their tender years, and to the mature of all ages.

The wonder, among others, of the Bible is that it is the one Book suited to all ages and stages of development. There is intended to be no such thing as



"Why can't we watch 'Frankenstein' and have our Bible reading during the commercials?"

Off The Record

Three young Negroes were were arguing rather heatedly about the merits of their respective church denominations, while a much older, white-haired oldtimer looked on. Finally, they turned to him and asked, "What's your denomination, Uncle Sam?"

"Well, boys," he answered slowly, "somehow, it seems to me soter like this: There's three roads goes from here to town—de long road, de short road, and de road through the swamp—but when I gits to town with my load of cotton, de man don't say, 'Uncle Sam' Henry, which road you done come by?' But he jest say, 'Sam, how good is yo cotton?'"

A boy was applying for a job at a drug store. The druggist prepared to fill in the application form.

"Your name?"
"Alexander Graham Bell."
"That's a pretty well-known name, isn't it?"
"It ought to be," the youngster replied. "I've been delivering groceries around this neighborhood for two years."

The Boss returned in a good humor from lunch and called the whole staff in to listen to a couple of jokes he'd picked up. Everybody but one girl laughed uproariously.

"What's the matter?" grumbled the Boss. "Haven't you got any sense of humor?"
"I don't have to laugh," said the girl. "I'm leaving Friday anyhow."

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Robt. J. Hastings

FINANCE CLINIC LEADERS—Dr. Robert Hastings, associate in Department of Promotion of the Southern Baptist Executive Committee, Nashville (left), and Thomas B. Chaney, head of the Department of Forward Program of Kentucky Baptists, Middleton, will be the two principal visiting program personalities for the statewide Clinic on Church Finance to be held at Northside Church in Jackson, July 14.

Youth Week Held At First Marks

During the week of June 14-21, the leadership of the First Church of Marks was in the hands of the young people and intermediates. Heading the list of officers were Marshall Jenkins, youth pastor for the week.

Other officers and leaders were John R. Gunter, Josephine Burns, Bobby Eavenson, Richard May, Miki Crabill, Claude Duke, and Bobby Eavenson.

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Teachers were Lee Lundy, John Gunter, Miki Crabill, Pauline Trainor, Annette Inman, Catherine Bizell, Jimmy Rogers, Linda Ford, Jo Gerrard, Abner Hammond, Waldo Eubanks, Richard May, Betty Ward, and Keturah Butler. Other Sunday School officers were Ray Jenkins, Ted Norris, and Kathleen Crabill.

Training Union Leaders

Training Union leaders were Ann Wing, Helaine Worley, Geo. Rooks, Carolyn Cox, Joyce McKinnie, Dixie Pittman, Andrew Hammond, and Billy Joe Regel.

Youth deacons were Jimmy Davis, chairman, Ronnie Jenkins, Ralph Jenkins, Taylor Goodnight, Kenneth Youngblood, and George Cox. Ushers were Larry Eubanks, Ed Ben-

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Should attempt to use the Forward Program with its pastor, and if at all possible, some of the young people having this clinical training.

JOHN POWELL IS McLAIN'S YOUTH PASTOR

June 21-June 28 First Church, McLain, held its second Youth Week, and voted to have another next year.

John Powell was Youth Pastor. The youth preachers were Wayne Hembree, who recently received a B. A. degree from William Carey College, and Dan Hembree, who has a B. A. from Mississippi College and a year in the New Orleans Seminary. Mrs. H. R. Backstrom, Training Union Director, was chairman of the nominating committee.

The Youth Choir sang, young men received the offering, and young people filled practically every position in the Church.

Rev. Frank Roblin is pastor.

Colleges Warned

LAKE JUNALUSKA, N. C. (RNS) — Church-related and other private colleges were warned by a leading Christian educator here that, despite their need for funds, "dangerous" tuition increases might price them "completely out of the market."

son, Terry Mayfield, and Jerry Mayfield.

Another organization for the young people is the church orchestra. The initial performance of the orchestra was Sunday night, June 28. Dr. Ira D Eavenson is pastor of the church, Jerry Neely is youth director.

Southeastern Seminary Grows Rapidly During 8-Year History

By Ben C. Fisher
Administrative Assistant
Southeastern Seminary

WAKE FOREST, N. C.—Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary has the distinction of being the first seminary to be established outright by the Southern Baptist Convention.

The Southern Baptist Convention voted to establish Southeastern in May 1950 and in 1951 the old Wake Forest College campus at Wake Forest, North Carolina was purchased for \$1,600,000.

Dr. S. L. Stealey was named

president in 1951 and under his leadership the seminary has enjoyed a remarkable growth. When Southeastern opened for the first semester there were 85 students and 4 faculty members.

During this past year, Southeastern enrolled 753 during the regular session and at present has 30 members on the faculty.

In May 1958, Dr. Olin T. Binkley, distinguished Southern Baptist educator, was named academic dean, and in June Southeastern received full accreditation from the American Association of Theological Schools.

Reasons for Growth

There are at least three reasons for the rapid growth of Southeastern. First, it is located in a heavily populated Baptist area.

Thirty-three percent of all the Southern Baptist churches are located in the six states on the eastern seaboard.

Second, the strongest reason for the rapid growth has been the consistent effort on the part of President Stealey to secure exceptionally qualified persons for the faculty. The third reason for the growth of Southeastern is to be found in the emphasis which has been placed on the development of a strong curriculum and a library.

While Southeastern draws most of her students from the area in which it is located, Southeastern is cosmopolitan with students from almost every state in the union and from sev-

eral foreign countries, and from more than 100 colleges and universities.

New Buildings

In 1951-1956 Southeastern co-existed with Wake Forest College, having the use of only one building which seriously handicapped the growth of the young Seminary. After Wake Forest College moved to Winston-Salem in June of 1956, the administration of Southeastern faced a tremendous job of repairs, renovation, and conversion which cost more than one million dollars.

New buildings which have been erected include a modern cafeteria, a new library building, a child care center, 52 duplex apartments. In addition to this, the Chapel had never been finished on the interior. This required several months and several thousand dollars to complete but is not acclaimed one of the most beautiful in the Convention.

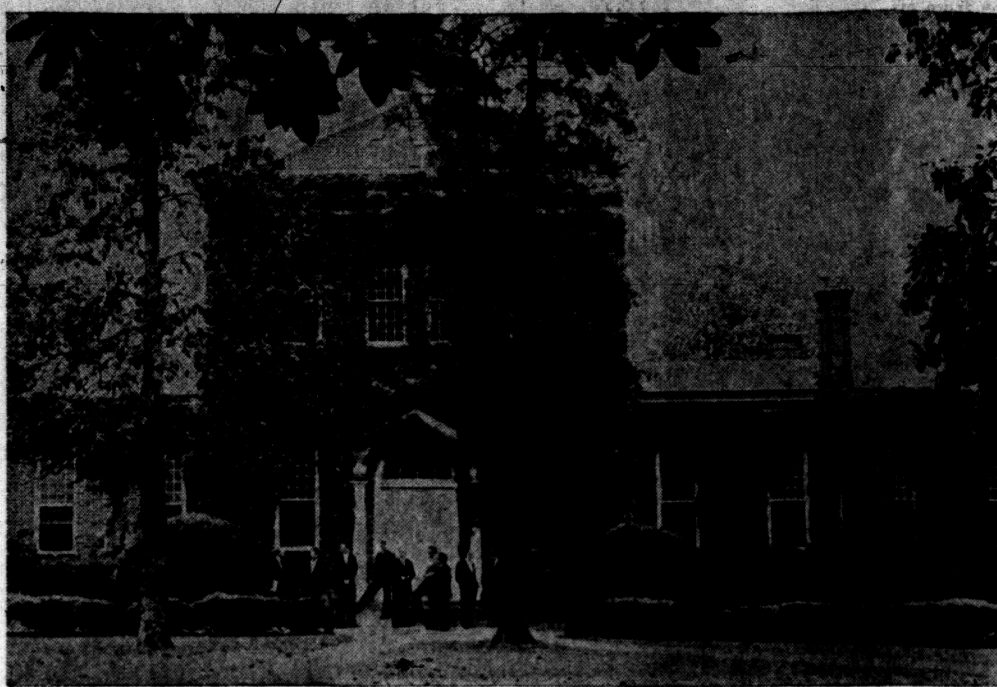
10th Anniversary

As Southeastern approaches her tenth anniversary, she has already graduated more than 700 men who are serving all over the world. For example, graduates of Southeastern are now serving as missionaries in the following countries: Alaska, Mexico, Canal Zone, Bahama Islands, Brazil, Chile, Spain, Nigeria, Southern Rhodesia, Pakistan, Thailand, and Italy.

In the United States Southeastern graduates are serving from Florida to New York and from North Carolina to Arizona.

President Stealey recently said, "the growth and service of Southeastern has more than justified the confidence which Southern Baptists had when they began this venture. We are deeply grateful to Southern Baptists, who through their belief in an educated ministry and the cooperative program, have made this possible."

PHOTO ABOVE shows the imposing Administration Building at Southeastern Seminary. It houses the administrative offices of the Seminary and offices for teachers. In the foreground may be seen members of the Foreign Mission Board staff making shots for the new 16 millimeter color motion picture with sound track. The picture "In the Circle of His Will," a recruitment film, is to be released shortly. In photo at right is seen the Student Center Building. This structure is a good illustration of the tremendous task which the Seminary faced in converting college buildings for Seminary use. Formerly the Lee Chemistry Building, the structure is now used to house the Baptist Book Store, Student Center, and Student Lounge. Southeastern Seminary is now housed in buildings formerly occupied by Wake Forest College, which was moved to another location just before it was taken over by the Seminary. It was therefore necessary to make a number of adjustments in the buildings when the Seminary moved in.



AT RIGHT IS seen the duplexes for married students at Southeastern Seminary. Twenty-six of these duplex apartments will be ready for occupancy by the fall term and will help to relieve the acute housing shortage at Southeastern. According to President Stealey, many other such units are badly needed.

Stealey Prepared For Presidency

"Everything—work, major events, incidences, each step forward—prepared him for it."

"Looking back, Dr. Sydnor L. Stealey sees how each part fitted into the pattern of preparation for the major job of his life—the presidency of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, North Carolina.

"Dr. Stealey, an Oklahoman of Virginia ancestry, reached manhood in the midst of the fierce, nationwide Fundamentalist-Modernist controversy, and became a teacher on the threshold of maturity and later entered the ministry.

Needs All Qualities

"As president of Southeastern Seminary, Dr. Stealey has had need of all the qualities of toughness and tenderness, trained intelligence and humility, thoughtful prayer and prayerful thought, which all his prior life had taught him." So says Jane Hall, reporter for the Raleigh News and Observer, in a recent Sunday feature.

President Stealey was born in Martinsburg, West Virginia, on March 2, 1897. His parents were the Reverend C. P. Stealey, Baptist minister who founded the Oklahoma Baptist Messenger and the Oklahoma Baptist Book Store, and Anna Jamieson Sydnor Stealey.

Dr. Stealey graduated from Oklahoma Baptist University and later received the Th.M. and Ph.D. degrees from South-

Dr. Sydnor L. Stealey

ern Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky.

Following graduation from Louisville, Dr. Stealey held three pastorates: 1923-24 First Baptist Church, Bloomington, Indiana; 1924-28 Bainbridge Street Baptist Church, Richmond, Virginia; and 1928-30 First Baptist Church, North Carolina.

Following the Raleigh pastorate, Dr. Stealey went to Southern Seminary as professor of Church History where he remained until he resigned in 1951 to become the first president of Southeastern.

Dr. Stealey married the former Jessie Wheeler, of Wynnewood, Oklahoma. The Stealeys have two children: a son, Dr. Sydnor L. Stealey, Jr., a dentist now in Fairbanks, Alaska and a daughter, Louise, now Mrs. F. K. Vance, of Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

President Stealey is considered by those who work with him an able administrator, a superb teacher, and above all a person of the finest personal integrity. An able scholar, he is the author of numerous articles for denominational periodicals and encyclopedias.

Edits Book

Dr. Stealey recently edited a book A BAPTIST TREASURY which is an anthology to acquaint Baptists in general with strong selections from their history and literature.

New Missionaries Are Oriented

The four walls of the room were lined with black-and-white photographs portraying human life of every age and in myriad activities, each carrying a caption such as "Edge of Darkness." Beneath this exhibit sat 160 people for 10 days preparing themselves to take to people everywhere the answer to life's deepest need.

The room is in the Fine Arts Building at Howard College, Birmingham, Ala. The meeting was the sixth orientation conference for new missionaries held by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board. In the group were 56 recently appointed missionaries, 48 candidates for immediate appointment, 35 furloughing missionaries, 18 members of the headquarters staff of the Foreign Mission Board, and a specialist in pastoral counseling.

Held Annually

Since 1954 the orientation conference has been held annually in late spring. This year, due to the increasing number of missionary appointments, there will be two such conferences, the other to be held in Richmond, Va., in mid-December.

The purpose of the orientation conference is to help outgoing missionaries face up to the problems of adjustment in foreign countries. The program of orientation is under the direction of the personnel department of the Foreign Mission Board, Dr. Elmer S. West, Jr., secretary.

The 10-day program just completed contained a variety of emphases and presentations. Dr. Robert J. Caughen, the Board's executive secretary, gave a daily talk on some important phase of missionary life and service.

50-Minute Lecture

Each day began with a 50-minute lecture on "The Missionary Message of the Bible"

by Dr. H. Cornell Goerner, secretary for Africa, Europe, and the Near East for the Foreign Mission Board.

Eleven panel discussions took up the following subjects: "Family Life on the Mission Field," "Relationships with Other Christian Groups," "The Missionary Faces the Race Problem," "Women's Work," "Medical Evangelism," "Direct Evangelism," "Learning a New Language," "Helping Others to Go," "Church Development," "Theological Education," and "The Missionary's Living Standard."

Talks by the Foreign Mission Board's area secretaries presented a broad view of conditions around the world to the entire group; and area meetings, led by the secretaries and furloughing missionaries, acquainted the young people with the areas and countries to which they are going.

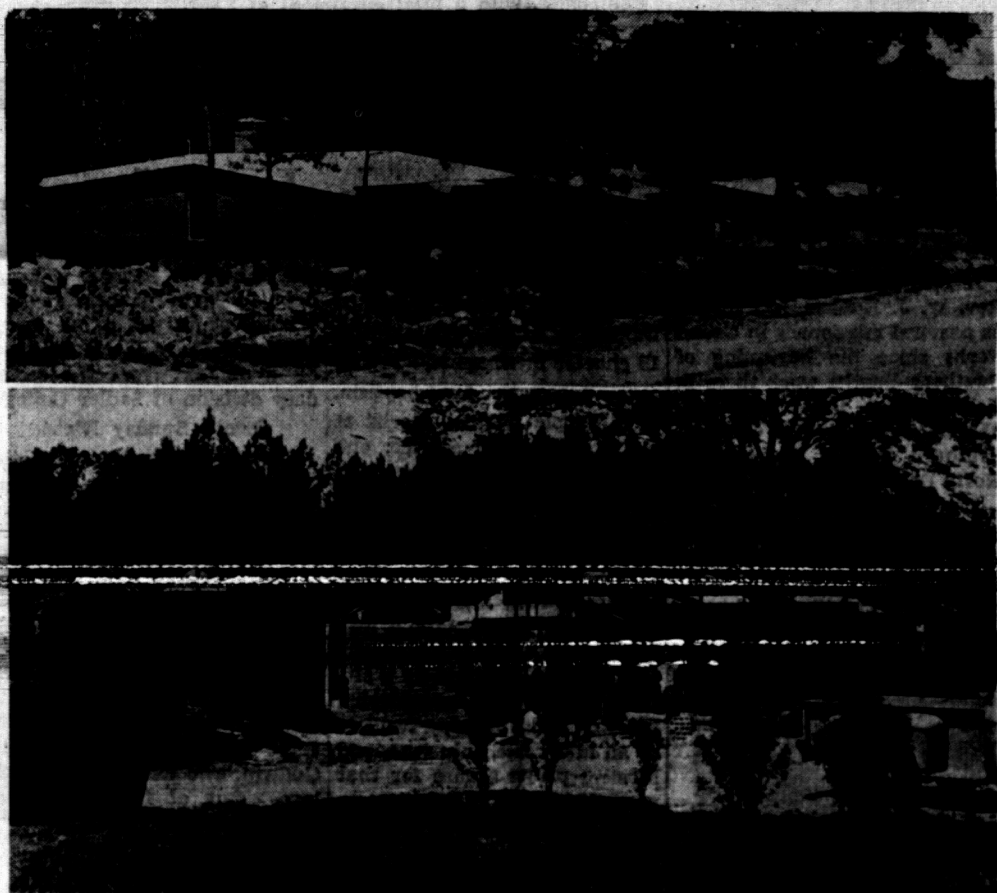
How To Stay Healthy

Dr. Carencel F. Clark, Jr., medical missionary to Japan, gave a series of talks on "How to Stay Healthy on the Mission Field."

Dr. Myron C. Madden, pastor, St. Charles Avenue Baptist Church, New Orleans, La., spoke on "Birth and Re-birth," "Our Fathers and Our Father," "Life's Limitations," "Life in the Home," "Life in the Church," and "Christianity and Persons."

Dr. West commented on the conference: "The participants came from a diversity of backgrounds; but, as they prepared to move out to various types of service in many countries, all hearts and minds were caught up in a unifying experience of commitment to and divine strength for the task ahead."

The Foreign Mission Board has appointed 56 missionaries since January 1 and is expecting to go beyond its goal of 140 before the end of the year.



CHILD CARE CENTER—The Ruby Reid Child Care Center (above) will be ready for use by the fall term. This building, in addition to its use in teaching, will provide a place where student wives may leave their children while going to school or work.

New Filmstrip For Free Booking

A filmstrip for showing at annual district associational meetings is available from the Home Mission Board.

Take My Chair gives the viewer a look at the total home mission program and the challenge in this great land of ours from the chair of Executive Secretary Courts Redford.

The filmstrip, in color, requires about ten minutes for presentation. Request for free booking should be made by the moderator or associational missionary. State the date of showing and send to Home Mission Board Division of Education and Promotion, 161 Spring Street, N. W., Atlanta 3, Georgia.

ATLANTA (BP) — Georgia Baptist churches had received more persons on professions of faith during the 1959 Baptist simultaneous evangelistic crusade, as of April 30, than in any previous simultaneous effort in state history.



PHOTO ABOVE shows the new cafeteria of Southeastern Seminary which has been in operation since 1956. Picture at right shows the new library. Seen here through the magnolia for which this campus is famous, is the new \$300,000 library which now contains more than 40,000 volumes, not including micro-film and periodicals.

WACO, Tex. — (BP) — A gift of \$8,000 to the J. M. Dawson studies in church and state at Baylor University has been made by Joseph Dawson, Denver oil company executive and son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Dawson, Austin.



Tommy Martin

Studies Under New Cooperative Plan

Tommy Martin has enrolled at Mississippi Baptist Hospital in Jackson, Mississippi to complete his work for a B. S. degree in Medical Technology. Mr. Martin is the first student from William Carey College to study under the new cooperative plan in pre-professional studies.

Mr. Martin completed his Junior year at William Carey College and will receive credit for his Senior work at the Baptist Hospital. He will return to Carey in 1960 to receive his B. S. degree in Medical Technology.

The courses which he will be taking will be a combination of chemistry and biology for training in medical technology. Mr. Martin plans to use this training in foreign missions work.

Tommy is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis C. Martin of Yazoo City.

Survey Shows Status of Women In Religious Work

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS)—Women college graduates of the class of 1957 who went into religious work received an average starting salary of \$3,167 a year, the Women's Bureau of the U. S. Department of Labor reported here.

The survey, published under the title "First Jobs of College Women" was based on reports of 63,945 women graduates from representative colleges and universities throughout the nation.

Of this group, 370 went into full-time religious work upon graduation.

They received salaries that averaged almost 20 per cent less than those of their classmates, as a whole.

The average starting salary for all women college graduates was \$3,739, the report indicated. The only groups receiving less pay than religious workers were those who took jobs as retail sales clerks, who averaged only \$2,000 a year, and those who took jobs as typists and averaged \$2,104.

Baptist Missions At Work In Philippines

"My faith was strengthened and I experienced the most wonderful fellowship I have ever had," testified one Filipino at the close of the seventh annual youth conference, held April 6-11 on the campus of the Philippine Baptist Theological Seminary in Baguio, on the island of Luzon.

The conference was attended by 231 persons, many of whom had to stand when sessions were held in the seminary chapel. In addition to the representatives from every area on Luzon where Southern Baptists have mission work, there was also a delegation present from the nearby island of Mindoro.

Ninety-eight of the young people registered decisions for Christ during the week. Of these, 34 accepted Christ as Saviour, 11 surrendered to the ministry or to some other church-related vocation, and the others rededicated their lives to Christ.

Second Year Student
Pastor Deu Mahandi, of the Pasay Baptist Church, a second-year student in the seminary, surrendered to God's call to be a missionary to the Moslems of Palawan. He himself was formerly a Moslem. At present Southern Baptists have no work on the island of Palawan.

Nationals served in many key places of leadership for the conference. Pastor Gonzalo Mamaril, of the San Carlos Baptist Church, was director, working alongside Mrs. J. Earl Posey Jr., missionary chairman of the planning and program committee.

Built around the theme, "We Would See Jesus," each day's program began with morning watch in the amphitheater led by one of the young people. Throughout the day there were study courses, panel discussions, singings, and recreation.

Prayer And Meditation
In the evening there was a period of prayer and meditation, followed by dramatic features and special music by representatives from the various areas, personal testimonies, and an evangelistic message. A campfire service closed the day's activities.

One of the high lights of the week was the Sword Drill, with participants from the various churches and mission points. "Filipinos like to memorize Scripture passages," says Mrs. Posey, "and they show great interest in developing skill in handling the Word of God."

Darkness Dispelled
Another high moment came on the last evening as the young people who had "seen Jesus" during the week shared their testimonies from the campfire while singing "Things Are Different

Now." The darkness of the hillside was dispelled as they wended their way from the campfire singing "Only to Be What He Wants Me to Be."

"It is our prayer that these young people, and others like them, will carry the light of Jesus into every barrio of human need in the Philippines," says Mrs. Posey.

"Many of those who made decisions on the mountaintop in Baguio faced persecution from their families and ostracism from their friends when they returned to their homes in the lowlands. Won't you pray for them?"

New Albany, First Has YWA Citation

At an impressive ceremony, Miss Norma Smith, Miss Mary Nell Baggett, and Miss Diane Van Egmond received the YWA Citation award for outstanding achievement.

The awards were given in recognition of devoted service in advancing Christian Missions in the church and the community. The citations are awarded by the Woman's Missionary Union.

This is the first time an award of this nature has been received by a young lady of this church.

Mrs. John Heath, WMU president, presented the citations along with beautiful yellow gold citation keys. YWA leaders are Mrs. George Van Egmond and Mrs. Morris Butler, Jr.

State Man Serves Dakota Church

The Southern Baptist Mission of Grand Forks, North Dakota was officially constituted as a church in services held Sunday night June 14. Thirty-seven local members and five members of a mission in Devil's Lake became charter members of the new church.

A former Mississippi pastor, Rev. W. J. Hughes, has served as pastoral missionary in Grand Forks since the beginning of February of 1958. This new church makes a total of seven Southern Baptist churches in North Dakota and four missions.

The Grand Forks church has purchased two and eight tenths acres of land with a Home Mission Board loan and has opened a building fund.



THE BOYS ABOVE are working on their handwork at Vacation Bible school in Davao City, on the island of Mindanao in the Philippines. Last year there were 102 Vacation Bible schools in the Philippines, with a total enrolment of 5,857.

15 Members Form Church In Ghana

Sadler Baptist Church was organized June 7 at Sadler Baptist College in Kumasi, Ghana, with 15 charter members and 21 persons preparing for baptism. Four people accepted Christ at the organizational service, one teacher and three students from Sadler College.

The church has a fully organized Sunday school, a Training Union, a Women's Missionary Society, and a mission volunteer band. It sponsors a mission in a village near the school. This mission, pastored by a student preacher, is considering building and is clearing two lots of an idol house, juju tree, and Moslem prayer square for that purpose.

Members of Sadler Church hope to begin work in another village about 20 miles away. This mission will be pastored by a student from the secondary division of Sadler College.

Every Sunday Night

Every Sunday night the church has a special Bible hour with the emphasis on discussion of Scripture passages and questions related to the problem of sin, man, and God. "You can imagine what this produces when the people who attend are from backgrounds of idol worship, Catholicism, Moslem influence, or weak Christian influence," says Missionary Colon L. Godwin, who teaches in the college. Out of the discussions

have come six professions of faith in Christ, one of them being made by the top student in the school.

Also on June 7 Sadler College had its first mission day service. Centered around the theme, "Go into All Ghana," the program was presented by pastors of churches in northern central, and southern Ghana. "They have a good picture of needs in this country," says Mr. Godwin. "From their expressions, I know that many students had not thought about Ghana in the light that was presented that night."

Atlanta Baptists Schedule Juvenile Clinics

ATLANTA, Ga. (RNS) — Atlanta Baptists will explore the juvenile delinquency problem in a series of clinics here.

The Atlanta Association of Baptist Churches is sponsoring one city-wide juvenile clinic and eight neighborhood-level clinics. Church experts for the clinics are J. L. Baggott, superintendent of city missions; J. V. James, director of broken homes and juvenile programs for the Home Mission Board, and C. E. Scarborough, director of juvenile rehabilitation.

The clinics also will feature discussions by judicial and enforcement officers from Fulton and DeKalb counties.

Golden Gate Dreams of Campus Is Realized

MILL VALLEY, Calif. (BP) — Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary has begun to function officially on its new 126-acre campus at Strawberry Point, according to Harold K. Graves, president of the school.

Upon the receipt of an occupancy permit issued by the Maricopa County board of supervisors July 1 the seminary's last technical hurdle was cleared.

Of the transition from Berkeley, Calif., to the new site just north of San Francisco and the Golden Gate Bridge, President Graves had this to say:

"Our institution will take on entirely different personality as we leave the old facilities and move to the new. The Golden Gate seminary of 1959 on its new campus at Strawberry Point is a far cry from its days in a church building in Oakland from 1944 to 1947, or even from its early days in Berkeley in a single building, crowded and inadequately equipped.

"My joy is increased in the recognition that what we build today is on the work of others. My hat is off to them for their vision, their labors, and their sacrifices that make my day possible."

Chartered In 1944

With heavier allocations from the Southern Baptist Convention Cooperative Program receipts for its capital improvement budget, the seminary has been building its new home across San Francisco Bay from the old site.

The seminary was chartered in Oakland, Calif., July 12, 1944 in the building of the Golden Gate Baptist Church. It moved to adjoining Berkeley in 1947. The first graduates, 17 in number, received degrees in 1949.

The 1950 session of the Southern Baptist Convention voted to accept control and support of the seminary and it was included in the Convention's budget for 1951.

Graves became president in 1952. Starting out with seven students in 1944, the seminary last year enrolled 350. It is the only Southern Baptist Convention institution west of the Rockies although some state Baptist groups have schools in the far western states.

Edmunds to Speak At Assemblies

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BSBY) — J. P. Edmunds, secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board's Research and Statistics Department, will conduct conferences for associational and church clerks at Ridgecrest and Glorieta Baptist assemblies as a part of the Church Administration Conferences.

Conference dates are August 6-12 at Glorieta, New Mexico, and August 20-26 at Ridgecrest, North Carolina.

THE BAPTIST RECORD KEEPS MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST PEOPLE INFORMED.

Ridgecrest-Glorieta 1960 Calendar

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BSBY) — The schedules for Ridgecrest (N. C.) and Glorieta (N. M.) Baptist assemblies for 1960 have been announced by James L. Sullivan, executive secretary-treasurer of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville.

The assemblies are operated by the Sunday School Board and are open for about thirteen weeks each summer. They are also used by other Southern Baptist Convention agencies for promotional and inspirational meetings.

Willard K. Weeks is manager of Ridgecrest and E. A. Herron of Glorieta. The schedules are:

Date	Glorieta	Ridgecrest
June 9-15	T. U. Assembly	Student Retreat Writers' Conference
June 16-22	T. U. Assembly	YWA Conference
June 23-29	T. U. Assembly	Foreign Missions Conf. Baptist Broth'n'd Conf.
June 30-July 6	Sunday School Conf.	Music Leadership Conf.
July 7-13	Sunday School Conf.	T. U. Conference
July 14-20	Sunday School Conf.	T. U. Conference
July 21-27	Music Leadership Conf.	T. U. Conference
July 28-Aug. 3	WMU Conference	Sunday School Conf.
Aug. 4-10	Home Miss. Bd. Conf. Writers' Conference	Sunday School Conf.
Aug. 11-17	Bible Conference School for Librarians Church Admn. Conf. Church Rec. Conf. Christian Life Conf. Radio & TV Conf. Historical Com. Conf.	WMU Conference
Aug. 18-24	Foreign Miss. Conf. Bap. Broth'n'd Conf.	Home Miss. Board Conf.
Aug. 25-31	Student Retreat	Bible Conference School for Ch. Librarians Church Admn. Conf. Church Recreation Conf. Christian Life Conf. Radio & TV Conference Historical Com. Conf.



A CRUSADER COMES HOME—(New York) — Wreathed in smiles, Evangelist Billy Graham and his wife, Ruth, were welcomed by an enthusiastic crowd of 200 persons on their return from Europe. Mrs. Graham had joined her husband in Geneva, Switzerland, after his three and a half month Australian Crusade. Commenting on a one-week visit he made to Russia, Mr. Graham said the Soviets, although "militantly atheistic," have been unable to crush belief in God. At several church services he attended there, at least one-fifth of the audiences were teenagers, he said. (RNS Photo).



Student plays with the month-old child of a patient at the Baptist hospital in Mati, on the island of Mindanao, in the Philippines. The first unit of the hospital in a strong Catholic and Moslem community, was completed and dedicated in

Christianity In The Home

Proverbs 6:20-23

By REV. VERNON MAY
Pastor, First, Louisville

The home, as God intended, is a thing of exquisite beauty. Eden was a home fresh from the hand of God. Implanted in the very heart fibre of this couple was a religious atmosphere. Since this great act of God, there has come to us a responsibility of maintaining Christianity in the home.



The time to put Christianity in the home is in the hour of betrothal. Far too many of our young people are saying today, "I can't let Christianity interfere with my marriage. It will work itself out." Such an attitude is a vicious deception of Satan. In simplicity of purpose, let the leaders in the home surrender their paramount interests to God. "Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it."

Many things are keeping active Christianity out of the home. WORSHIP OF HOUSEHOLD GODS, SUCH AS HOUSES, BANK ACCOUNTS, FARMS, BUSINESSES, AUTOMOBILES, ETC., often take precedence over the worship of the true God.

Possessions

DISSATISFACTION WITH WHAT WE ARE ABLE TO POSSESS beclouds our affection and destroys our peace of mind. THE LACK OF COURAGE TO BATTLE THE EVIL FORCES THAT COME TO OUR HOMES, helps Satan and defeats Christ.

Jealousy

LACK OF APPRECIATION AND A GENEROUS GOOD WILL TOWARD EACH MEMBER OF THE FAMILY breeds jealousy, for members of the family are so likely to be jealous of each other—jealous of clothes, educational opportunities, and even parental affection. Jealously caused Joseph's brothers to hate him. The other brother in the story of the prodigal son let jealousy drive him out of the home.

Money

LACK OF PROPER CONSIDERATION OF PROSPERITY on the part of each member of the home keeps Christianity out of the home. One day, Hart P. Danks, inspired by love for his wife and family, wrote the wonderful song, "Silver Threads Among the Gold," and soon it became recognized as a masterpiece. Before writing the song, there was harmony, peace, and happiness in the family, but after royalties began to roll in, dissension arose and separation followed. One day, Hart P. Danks was found dead kneeling beside his bed. On an old copy of the song was written these words, "It's hard to grow old alone." Riches robbed the songwriter of the joy the song has brought to millions.

The Family Pew

A breeding place of evil is the home which ignores its relationship to the church. God has said, "Do not forsake the assembling of yourselves together." A filled family pew in God's house on the Lord's day is the best thing that can happen to a family, and each person in the home needs to work for the spiritual interests of all.

and you may come to know the truth and the truth will make you free" (John 8:31-32).

The Promise

Jesus was not talking about just any truth, offering freedom to just anybody. Repeatedly he

used the definite article (the truth). But the truth-bringing freedom which he promised is epitomized and personified in himself. And the promise was made to students enrolled in his school.



CALVARY CHURCH, GREENWOOD, was one of the first churches in the state to attain the Honor Church Program in Training Union. Pictured above is Wilson Hambrick, left, Training Union Director, holding the Honor Church Diploma, and Rev. Wilburn Matthews, pastor.

The Real Truth About The Truth

By Dr. Wayne Barton
New Orleans Seminary

Jesus did not say that truth will make you free (John 8:32). More correctly, he did not simply say that. For he said more. Yet his statement is generally considered axiomatic. Ordinarily, what he said is thought to refer to any kind of truth. So, this has come to be the slogan of the sciences.

Indeed, sometimes truth liberates. There is a sense in which truth in any area of discipline liberates the mind from ignorance, superstition, and fear. Even more literally, it was truth, I suppose, which set John Bunyan free from prison after many years of unjust confinement. But one wonders whether this is the sort of thing which Jesus had in mind.

For truth does not always set free. Even truths found in the sciences sometimes enslave the mind and shut out other truth. More practically, presumably it was truth that recently confined Mrs. Duncan of California to a death cell. There she awaits execution because the court discerned the truth about

her plot to slay the wife of her son.

"Aletheia"

So, perhaps Jesus was not talking about truth (or truths) in general, which sometimes liberates and sometimes enslaves. In fact, there is no doubt but that Jesus was using the word aletheia (truth) in the same sense as elsewhere in the Fourth Gospel (1:4, 16:13, and others). This word on the lips of Jesus has profound theological significance. But one should not infer that Jesus used it simply to designate theological truth (or knowledge). Rather does the word have a personal dimension. For Jesus said in another context, "I am . . . the truth" (John 14:6).

Moreover, there is in the immediate context a sufficient clue to indicate that Jesus was not talking about truth in general. Grammatically, "the truth shall make you free" is but the apodosis (conclusion) of a conditional sentence. The protasis (introduction) is contained in the preceding verse. The full statement, literally translated, is: "If you should begin to abide in my word, truly my learners are you



"AUNT" MATTIE SLATER, an 88-year-old shut-in receives a basket of fruit from Mrs. A. D. Enrekina (at left) and Mrs. C. E. Wilson as Purvis Church initiates Shut-In Week.

Purvis Remembers Shut-Ins With Special Week

Taking Psalm 71:9 as a text, the pastor and members of the First Church, Purvis, sought to remember the sick and the aged shut-ins of the community. With the slogan "a week to remember" as a theme, the church planned a full week's program beginning with the Sunday morning services for a great host of these shut-in friends who are in the town, in an effort to give them "a week to remember."

The pastor, the Rev. Harold E. O'Chester, spoke at both the morning services, 9:00 a. m. and 11:00 a. m., on the subject, "The Shut-In Psalm" using Psalm 23 as a basis for the message. Mem-

bers of the church were urged to assist as many of the 25 shut-ins as possible to come to one of these services. A special ramp was constructed to assist those in wheelchairs.

The highlight of the services came when 'Aunt' Mattie Slater wheeled down the aisle of the church presenting herself for church membership on the promise of a letter.

Monday through Saturday the church through its many organizations sought to minister to the shut-ins in special ways.

The program was non-denominational in nature, in that the aged and sick shut-ins of every denomination were ministered

to by the membership of the church. This will be an annual program in our church.

Rev. Harold O'Chester is pastor.

Virginian Head Of Education Group

NASHVILLE (BP)—The Southern Association of Baptist Colleges and Schools elected a Virginia college executive as its president for the coming year.

Charles L. Harman, president of Bluefield College, Bluefield, Va., succeeds H. Leo Eddleman, president of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, La.

Maryland Kills Bus Transport Bill

ANNAPOLIS, Md. — (BP)—Two pieces of proposed legislation that would have benefitted parochial schools in Maryland at taxpayers' expenses, were killed before the state house of delegates adjourned here earlier this month.

One was designed to permit a public school children to point on the highway nearest the public school to a point on the highway nearest the parochial schools. This one affected Garrett County in Western Maryland.

East Booneville Calls Pastor

Rev. T. F. Grubbs, former pastor of Pittsboro Church in Calhoun County, pastor of East Booneville Church.

Before coming to East Booneville, Rev. Grubbs held pastorates at Mt. Pleasant Church, Newton County; Evansville Church, Tate County; Ellard Church, Calhoun County, and the Pittsboro Church.

He is a graduate of Sherman, High School, graduated from Clarke College in 1950, received his diploma from Mississippi College in 1951, and attended New Orleans Seminary for one year and two summer terms.

He and Mrs. Grubbs have a 14-year-old son, Harry.



THE MARRIED YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT at First Church, Amory, are shown with their children on June 21, outside the Fowlkes Ford station, their meeting place each Sunday morning. Left to right: Mr. and Mrs. Bodine Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Ike Word, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Reeves Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Hudson Anthony, Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Moore, Mrs. Willie Owings

and son, Rev. Dan Morton, pastor, Mrs. Ralph Perkins, Mr. Bill Fowlkes, Mrs. Rex Petty and Dorinda, Mr. John E. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Allen, dept. supt., and Samuel, Mrs. E. J. Wideman, and Mr. Pete Randle and Laurie. Organized in October, 1958, the department has reached at least 35 young people and brought at least 15 children into the church life. The enrollment is 24. John E. Johnson is Sunday School Supt.

H. C. Mann Resigns Louisiana Post

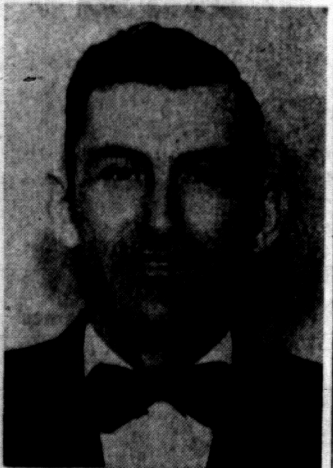
On June 14th Rev. H. C. Mann, pastor of Edgewater Church, New Orleans, resigned, effective July 15th, on account of ill health.

Rev. Mann has been pastor of Edgewater a little over two years, coming from pastorates in Alabama and Mississippi.

During his pastorate at Edgewater there were 279 additions. A new educational building housing the Nursery, Beginner, Primary and part of the Junior Departments, was built.

Rev. and Mrs. Mann will move to Brookhaven, Miss., where Bro. Mann will be available after July 15th for supply work or revivals.

ABILENE, Tex. (BP)—Hardin-Simmons University will bestow honorary doctorate degrees on Texas Secretary of State Zolzie Steakley and Vernon Yearby, associate in the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board's Division of Evangelism, said school leaders here.



Rev. C. R. Wicker

JAYESS CALLS NEW PASTOR

Rev. C. R. Wicker, who has accepted a call to the pastorate of Jayess Church in Lawrence County, moved on the church field June 9.

Rev. Wicker came to Jayess from Ethel Church, Ethel, Louisiana, and is a former pas-

CANADIAN BAPTISTS OPPOSE BEVERAGE ALCOHOL TRADE

KINGSTON, Ont. (RNS)—Opposition to the liquor trade and a demand that the Ontario government give "a larger share" of its liquor taxes to the Alcoholism Research Foundation were voiced in a resolution adopted here by the Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec. The resolution approved, by 500 delegates to the convention's annual meeting said that of \$70,000,000 in provincial liquor revenue Ontario had earmarked only an estimated \$434,000 for the foundation.

It also urged parents to educate their children "on the evils of beverage alcohol" and demanded that the provincial government enforce its liquor advertising laws.

Gillespie Goes With N. C. College

BOILING SPRINGS, N. C. — (BP) — J. T. Gillespie, retired director of rural church program for the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, Atlanta, has been retained by Gardner-Webb College here as director of church-community development.

Gillespie retired June 1 from his position with the Home Mission Board. He will begin his new duties at Gardner-Webb Sept. 1.

A native of Cleveland County, N. C., Gillespie is a graduate of Gardner-Webb, Wake Forest College, and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Mississippians To Lead Conferences At S. S. Weeks At Ridgecrest, Glorieta

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSSB) — Speakers and leaders for Sunday school conferences at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, have been announced by Dr. A. V. Washburn, Sunday school director, and Dr. H. H. Eddleman, president of the S. S. Board.

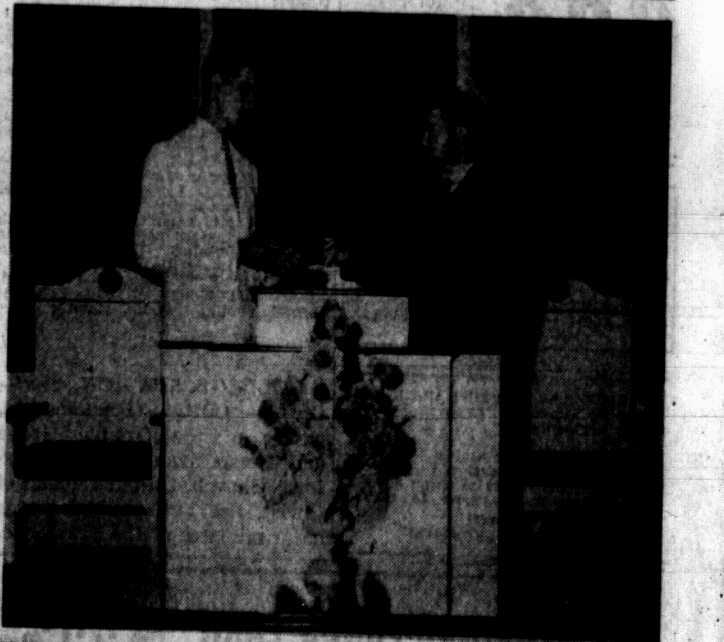
Dr. H. Guy Moore, pastor, Broadway Church, Fort Worth, Texas, will speak each evening during the first conference, July 23-29, and at the morning worship service on Sunday, July 26.

Dr. Dale Moody, professor of Christian Theology, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky, will be the daily Bible hour speaker and evening speaker Sunday, July 26.

W. H. Souther, minister of music and religious education, First Baptist Church, Dallas, will be the song leader for both weeks.

During the second week, July 30-August 5, Dr. James F. Heaton, pastor, Calvary Baptist Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma, will be the Bible hour speaker and evening speaker Sunday, August 2.

Those from Mississippi taking part in the conferences are: Miss Alexine Gibson, First Baptist Church, Columbia; Mrs. H. J. Rushing, approved Baptist young people's worker for Mississippi, Gulfport; and from the Mississippi Baptist Convention, Jackson, Bryan M. Cummings, secretary, Sunday school department; Miss Carolyn Madison, elementary secretary; and Mrs. C. B. Martin, approved Beginner worker.



YOUTH WEEK AT SALEM CHURCH (Covington) was observed June 21-22. Rev. Arnall Richardson, pastor, is seen at right, presenting the key of the church to James Valentine, Youth Week Pastor. The activities of the week, under the direction of Mrs. Winston Speed, Young People's Superintendent, were climaxed with testimonies by seven of the young people who recently volunteered at Ridgecrest for foreign mission work. Two of these seven, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Turnage, Minister of Music at the church, are candidates, Mr. Turnage lacking some work at New Orleans Seminary.